

## SWITCHMEN GRANTED INCREASE IN WAGES

### Federal Board of Arbitration Files Award

Will Receive 45 Cents an Hour, An Eight Hour Day, and Straight Pro Rata Overtime—Award Affects Thirteen Eastern and Middle Western Railroads.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—An eight hour day, an increase in wages of five cents an hour and straight pro rata overtime was granted to the members of the Switchmen's Union employed by thirteen eastern and middle western railroads, in an award filed here today by the federal board of arbitration that heard their differences. The decision of the board had been eagerly awaited by the railroads in general and the four major brotherhoods of railroad trainmen for what, bearing it might have on the controversy between them over the Adamson act in which the eight hour day is the question at issue.

Switchmen at present receive a maximum hourly rate of 40 cents. The award increases this rate to 45 cents so that, as explained tonight by Judge Charles B. Howry, chairman of the board on the eight hour day, they will receive \$3.60 for a day's work, 40 cents less than they received under the ten hour basis. By working ten hours under the new rate they will receive \$4.50, or 50 cents more than under the old rate.

### Statement Appended.

In a statement appended to the award by Judge Howry and Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, the neutral members of the board of six, it is declared that long hours of switchmen do not imply "excessive physical labor" that it has been established "it will not be possible to make the actual working eight hour day effective in the case of more than a small percentage of the switching crews," and that "with the exception of one experiment, the testimony was unanimous to the effect that the efficiency of switchmen on the shorter work day would be only slightly increased so that the burden of the shorter hours would fall almost entirely upon the railroads."

The increase was granted, the neutral arbitrators explain, because of the high cost of living and the "hazards and hardships of the work."

"The increase," they state, "imposes a heavy burden upon the railroads which owing to the interstate commerce law they are unable to transfer to the shippers and thence to the public."

They add that "it is the duty of the properly constituted governmental authorities to protect railway interests in this regard, so far as it is necessary."

The arbitrators were not unanimous in arriving at their decision although all six signed the award. James B. Connors of Chicago, assistant president of the Switchmen's Union and W. A. Titus, of Cleveland, vice president of the union who represented the switchmen on the board, filed a minority report, dissenting from the award of the five central arbitrators. The award makes no mention of the date the new wage scale becomes effective but it was assumed by railroad officials that it would apply at once.

The railroads affected by the award are: Michigan Central, New York Central, Lehigh Valley, Bessemer and Lake Erie, Chicago and Eastern Illinois, Chicago Great Western, Peoria Railway Terminal company, Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, New York, Chicago and St. Louis, Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific, Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie, and Baltimore and Ohio, and Chicago Terminal Railroad company.

Negotiations Will Proceed  
Cleveland, O., Dec. 23.—The railroad trainmen next week will proceed with the eight hour day negotiations with the railroads and an early settlement is expected as a result of the award of the arbitrators giving the switchmen an 8-hour day and a five cent an hour wage increase. While both Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and William G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen in statements issued tonight express dissatisfaction with the Switchmen's award, they declared their own controversy with the railroads over an eight hour day now will be settled speedily.

The arbitrators did not give the switchmen what they wanted most, that was an 8-hour day with time and a half penalty for overtime," said Mr. Lee. "An 8-hour day without any means of enforcing it is not an 8-hour day at all."

"Now that the switchmen's award is made we will continue with our negotiations with the railroads. Both sides were waiting to see what the arbitration award would develop. We are to meet Thursday with the managers' committee in New York. I am confident we will reach a decision before January 1."

### KANSAS BEACHED.

London, Dec. 23.—The American steamship Kansas recently reported to have been damaged by striking a mine has been beached in the St. Nazaire roads, as she was drawing too much water to enter the docks.

## GOVERNOR ISSUES CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

### State Executive Utters Hope for World Peace

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—In a Christmas message to the people of Illinois Governor Edward F. Dunne today refers to the prosperity of the state and nation, and utters a hope for peace in the world. The message is as follows:

"The people of Illinois have good reason to greet this Christmas tide with feelings of gratitude to God and good fellowship among men. This state and nation have been preserved from the horrors of war. Our immense industries are flourishing as never before. Our people are well employed at good wages in the industries of peace and our harvests have been most bountiful and remunerative. The prospects for European peace are brightening with the probability that peace will be permanently enforced by international compact. This peace will bring quickly and I hope permanently a reduction in the high cost of living, the only great disturbing feature of the day."

"Both in the state and nation there is in truth peace on earth, good will among men. May that peace and good will long remain with us. May the angel of peace now hovering over the battlefields of war wrecked Europe soon fold her protecting wings over the soldiers in the trenches and battlefields as well as over the women and children now cowering in their war afflicted homes."

(Signed) "Edward F. Dunne, Governor."

## "NIGHT RIDERS" ARE ACQUITTED

### Twelve Defendants are Found Not Guilty of Charges in Tacoma.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 23.—Twelve so-called "night riders" accused of conspiring to drive settlers from homesteads taken under government claims were acquitted today in the United States district court. Mrs. Margaret M. Ross who with her husband, formerly published a newspaper in Sioux Falls, S. D., was the plaintiff. She alleged that one night in January 1914 fifteen masked men burned her cabin on her Pacific county, Washington claim and drove her and two sons out of the country. The defense endeavored to show during the trial that Mrs. Ross had squatted on the homestead of a woman who had left the claim temporarily.

## ROBBER LEAVES TRAIL OF MONEY

GOLDENDALE, Wn., Dec. 23.—Leaving a trail of money in his wake because of the difficulty of carrying it thru the brush after he was forced to abandon his horse, a man giving his name as Henry Jones was caught by a posse today as the robber of the Bank of Bickleton, in Bickleton, Wn. Deputy sheriff say Jones admitted he had held up the bank yesterday. He had \$960, the remainder of the \$4,000 taken having been dropped in his flight. Most of the money has been recovered.

## "PALACE OF FLAME" FILM TAKES FIRE

Quick Work of Motion Picture Machine Operator Prevents Panic in Edina, Mo., Theatre.

Edina, Mo., Dec. 23.—As a climax to a motion picture production entitled "A Palace of Flame" in a local theatre here tonight, the film ignited and only the quick work of the operator and the coolness of the audience in the audience which crowded the house prevented a panic. The operator was burned about the hands and face as he fought the flames while the crowd went orderly out.

## TRAIN STRIKES AUTO; THREE ARE KILLED

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Clayton Jarvis, Kenneth Jarvis, his son and Ward Richelt were fatally injured when a Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul passenger train struck their automobile at Everett, Ill., tonight. All died before reaching a hospital. They lived in Deerfield.

## WILSON'S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION BEGINS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson's Christmas celebration began today. Turkey was distributed to the president and his employees while by express and mail gifts for the president arrived from all parts of the United States. The president plans to spend tomorrow and Monday quietly with the members of his family.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION CONCLUDES DIET TEST

GALESBURG, Ill., Dec. 23.—On a diet costing an average of 18.9 cents a day per person, school children, eight members of the squad which has just concluded a six day test here, gained six and one half pounds. The lowest priced daily menu cost 16 cents, the highest was 20 cents. The test was conducted by the board of education.

## BURLINGTON MAN IS FOUND DEAD AT HOME

BURLINGTON, Iowa, Dec. 23.—Edward O'Hare, a native of Burlington for 51 years, was found dead at his home in this city this evening. He was last seen alive on last Wednesday and his sister, Mrs. William Kelleher began an investigation. The house was locked from the inside and when the door was forced open the lifeless body of Mr. O'Hare was found. He probably had fallen ill and froze to death.

## COLORADO MAN'S ACTION ROUTS TRAIN ROBBER

### Holdup Man Escapes By Leaping Thru Window of Train

William Beath Exchanges Number of Shots with Bandit, Who Drops Money Collected On Floor of Car, But Saves and Gets Away with \$10—Passengers Hide Under Seats.

SIoux CITY, Iowa, Dec. 23.—A robber held up the passengers in the smoking car of a Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Louis train from Chicago as it was entering the yards here tonight. The man escaped with \$10 after shots had been exchanged with passengers, by leaping thru a window while the train was in motion. The robber boarded the train at Morningside, a suburb.

With a mask drawn over his face and a large revolver in his hand the man commanded J. R. Robbins, of Jefferson, S. D., to take up a collection from the other passengers. After \$30 had been collected, Will Beath of Plumbush, Colo., appeared in the vestibule to the rear of the bandit with a drawn revolver. He ordered the robber to throw up his hands. The bandit swung around quickly and fired at Beath as the latter took shelter behind a partition. Several shots were exchanged by Beath and the bandit.

The bandit grabbed the collection which Robbins had taken up, kicked the glass from the nearest window and leaped thru. Most of the cash collected by Robbins was dropped on the car floor during the exchange of shots. Many passengers hid under the seats.

A piece of glass deflected by the bullet from the bandit's gun struck Beath over the eye, causing a deep, but not serious wound. Beath believes his first shot hit the robber.

## FOOD RIOTS ARE REPORTED IN DRESDEN

### Troops are Called to Aid Police in Suppressing Trouble

London, Dec. 23.—A Rotterdam despatch to the Exchange Telegraph says there were food riots in Dresden on December 17, 18, and 19, especially on the 19th when troops were called to help the police in suppressing the trouble, which arose from the closing of several food shops on Sunday because they were without stocks.

The despatch says the women stoned the shops on Sunday and then marched through the streets but the police did not interfere.

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## ARRIVES FROM MEXICO

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## SMUGGLED INTO U. S. AS COAL TRIMMERS

Many Men are Believed to Have Been Smuggled Into This Country from England On Various Liners.

New York, Dec. 23.—That many Germans who had been interned as prisoners in England as well as a number of Englishmen desirous of escaping military service have been smuggled into the country as coal trimmers on board various liners, was intimated here today. The case of William Farrell, also known as Kernahan, for whom a writ of habeas corpus was sworn out in the federal court was said to have led to the disclosures. Farrell a coal trimmer on board the British steamship Adriatic, had been placed in irons, it was charged, because he declared that if he were permitted to go ashore he would not return to the vessel.

The writ of habeas corpus issued in his behalf directed Captain Ramsden of the Adriatic to produce Farrell before the court. This, however, the captain refused to do, stating that the mere act of bringing Farrell ashore would liberate him. Judge Hough who heard the argument dismissed the writ.

Testimony was introduced to the effect that Farrell had lived in London for several years. One witness declared that at no time was Farrell a "German soldier."

## ENGINEERING FEAT PERFORMED IN OMAHA

Old Steel Structure over Missouri River is Replaced by New Structure in Brief Space.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.—The old steel bridge of the Union Pacific railway over the Missouri river between Omaha and Council Bluffs, which had been in service for thirty years, was moved today and replaced by a new steel bridge which had been built on false work along side the old. The actual operation of removing the old bridge, which weighed 5,600,000 pounds and putting in place the new which weighed 11,200,000 pounds, required 15 minutes 4 1/2 for removal of the old and 10 1/2 to replace it with the new. Five hoisting engines, equipped with block and tackle, were used.

The work of removal began at 11:10 o'clock in the morning with 200 men and was finished at 3:40 in the afternoon. Delay was occasioned by the breaking of lashings. An hour after the new bridge was in place trains were running over it.

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## WAR NEWS SUMMARIZED

Fighting a series of defensive battles, but yielding slowly to the Teutonic pressure, the Russian rear guards in Wallachia and Dobrudja are being pressed backward to the north. Heavy fighting is in progress in the vicinity of Rimmik-Sarat, midway between the Bug and the Sereth rivers in Wallachia. Russian advanced posts at Rakovitcheni, in the foothills of the mountains west of Rimmik-Sarat were compelled to retire after battles at that point and at Vadulsoresol. An engagement at Balatcheni, south of Rimmik-Sarat also is indicated.

In Dobrudja the Russo-Romanian defensive is reported to have withdrawn northward until it is only thirteen miles south of the northern extremity of that province. Only artillery activity is recorded on the Russian front in the vicinity of Baranovichi.

The big guns are active also in the region of Hardsamont and Chabrettes, near Agudin. Operations on the Macedonian front are being prevented by bad weather.

The American ambassador at Petrograd delivered the German peace note to the Russian government Saturday and President Wilson's note to the belligerent governments was handed to the Italian foreign minister by the American ambassador at Rome.

It is estimated that the losses of British shipping resulting from the war total 435 steam vessels each of more than 1,600 tons or 13 per cent of all steamships owned in Great Britain at the beginning of the conflict.

## PANAMA LABORERS GET WAGE INCREASES

### West Indians Will Have Lower Rentals and Improved Living Quarters.

Washington, Dec. 23.—West Indian laborers at the Panama canal who have suffered keenly from the increased cost of living in the canal zone are to have wage increases, lower rentals and improved living quarters as the result of a special investigation of their status made by a committee of three officials appointed by Acting Governor Harding. Information reaching here today told of the board's recommendations for these reforms and said the acting governor had ordered them put into effect at once. The wage increases amount from one to two cents an hour.

## HEALY ISSUES ORDERS FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE

### Selling of Liquor in Chicago Will be Restricted to One Hour

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Chief of Police Healy issued final orders to commanding officers today to restrict the sale of liquor New Year's Eve to the one hour between Sunday night and 1 o'clock Monday morning. He ordered them to arrest proprietors of all cafes where liquor was sold but not to molest the patrons. The saloons are closed Sunday until midnight under state law and are closed again at 1 o'clock under the city ordinance.

## HARVEST TIME FOR BANDITS IN CHICAGO

### Robbers are Active in Various Parts of the City in During Holdups

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The last day before Christmas with its bonuses proved a harvest time for bandits today. Three men leaped from an automobile and seized \$1050 from J. Moss, paymaster of the Booth Fisheries company as he was approaching his office. Two armed men held up a store of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, locked Frank Hoffheimer, the manager in a rear room and escaped with \$55, the contents of the cash register.

## NEWSPAPERS FORCED TO RAISE PRICES

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## WIN BIKE RACE

New York, Dec. 23.—Oscar Egg and six-day bicycle race on the Madison Square Garden which closed at 11 o'clock tonight.

## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN N. Y. EXCHANGE

### Thousands of Poor Children Will Receive Gift in New York City.

New York, Dec. 23.—Celebration of Christmas began here today with a big tree on the floor of the board room in the stock exchange for the employees of the exchange and their families. There were gifts of toys, candy and books for the children. Presents also were provided by the brokers for the poor families living in the "backyard" of Wall street, one of the most densely populated districts in the city. There was no lack of cheer for the workers in the financial district themselves for distribution of bonuses yesterday and today was on an unprecedented scale.

In police stations throughout the city gifts will be distributed tomorrow to thousands of poor children. The police themselves collected funds for this purpose among the shopkeepers and others in their respective precinct. At one station in MacDougal street toys and other articles worth approximately \$5,000 will be distributed to more than 2,000 children.

Vandeville and motion pictures entertainments also will be provided in several of the stations.

## MAIL AND EXPRESS SHIPMENTS DELAYED

### Shortage of Cars and Cold Weather are Factors in Delaying Christmas Shipments.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—An unprecedented congestion of Christmas express shipments exists in the railroad yards of Chicago. It was learned today, cold weather, congestion of freight cars, and the great volume of business being responsible.

## Department's Statement.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Blizzards in the midwest, a shortage of mail cars, and an inadequate number of mail handlers in large railway terminals have contributed to the delay in the Christmas mail service, the post office department announced today. Reports of postmasters in large cities, the department stated, show the Christmas mail this year exceeds that of last year by 25 per cent.

## MAY GRANT DECATUR MAN ANOTHER RESPIRE

### President Wilson Said to be Planning to Grant Continuance of Respite to P. B. Sullivan.

Washington, Dec. 23.—President Wilson, it was said here today, is planning to grant another respite of thirty days to Percy B. Sullivan of Decatur, Ill., who was convicted in January, 1915, of using the mails to defraud and sentenced to two years in Leavenworth penitentiary. The department of justice recommended the respite for Sullivan following a visit to the department by Representative Rainey of Illinois. Sullivan's present thirty day respite expires early in January. Sullivan was convicted before United States District Court Judge J. Otis Humphrey in Springfield, Ill.

## GALE DESTROYS FLYING YACHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The America, the large \$20,000 flying yacht of the America Trans-Oceanic company, was wrecked at its hanger at Port Washington, Long Island, in the seventy-mile gale that swept this section last night. The yacht was torn from its moorings.

## DECLARES DECATUR PETITION ILLEGAL

DECATUR, Ill., Dec. 23.—Judge H. M. Coy in the Macon county court today declared illegal a petition calling for an election for the purpose of recalling the commission form of government in this city. The petition contained over 4,000 names, but 1,000 or more of these were declared illegal signatures.

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## G. O. P. STRIFE MAY RE-ELECT CHAMP CLARK

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Leaders Assert a Fight on Republican Side of the House Will Make Certain the Re-election of Speaker Champ Clark.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 23.—Representative August P. Gardner of Massachusetts in a statement here tonight repudiates the leadership in congress of Representative James R. Mann, because of his endorsement of President Wilson's peace note to the European belligerents and says he will support Representative Lenroot of Wisconsin for speaker when congress convenes.

## Regarded As Important.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Congressional leaders tonight regarded Representative Gardner's announced opposition to Republican Leader Mann as of much importance. Such a bitter fight on the Republican side of the house would make certain, it is declared, the re-election of Speaker Clark.

It is not so much the withdrawal of Representative Gardner's personal support of Mr. Mann that incites interest among the leaders as it is the eventualities that may result in the entire Progressive Republican element. At least 30 Republicans it has been generally reported are strongly in favor of a more progressive policy on the Republican side and while no such number as this are openly opposed to Mr. Mann for speaker, they want a declaration of progressive principles from whomever they support for the place before they pledge themselves.

Thus Representative Lenroot has made no formal announcement of his candidacy for speakership, although he



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That a whole railroad, tracks and rolling stock in the United States has been sold for removal to England has caused the remark that at least one American is a thoro believer in government ownership of railroads.

Since leaders in the Democratic party at Washington are now beginning to say that all nations, including the U. S., have always paid for wars and war-like operations by means of bond issues, the tax ridden citizen may begin to anticipate that a bond issue is on the program. It is costing twenty millions a month to keep the troops along the Mexican border and a deficit of two hundred million at the end of the next fiscal year is in sight. They are adopting economy methods at Washington but this program is too late in starting to effect any very great saving.

Pres. Wilson has kept us out of war but the expense bill is a mighty big one.

Let us hope that in the next five years men of science by intense application to the subject will discover something about the prevention and cure of infantile paralysis. In the past specialists for the Rockefeller foundation and other scientists who have devoted time to the subject frankly admitted their failure to discover an adequate means of defense. Dr. Emerson of the federal health service says that there will not be another serious epidemic of the disease for at least five years. The figures show that in New York alone the disease carried away 2,400 little lives and 5,000 others were crippled. The ravages of the disease were by no means confined to New York and the total of deaths presents an exceedingly tragic and sorrowful story.

**The Public Building Grab.**

One of the bills before congress which needs the attention of Senator Kenyon and others of his kind is that appropriating \$38,000,000 for federal buildings at various points throughout the country. Two years ago a special commission suggested that where a public building was proposed, the cost of rental of sufficient accommodations, of maintenance and operation, including 3 per cent interest, should be considered, so that the building should not be undertaken unless it would prove a desirable investment. If this rule suggested had been adopted the bill for federal buildings before congress would now be \$30,000,000 less.

In his annual report Secy. McAdoo declared that about \$180,000,000 had been spent by the government for public buildings, the greater part of them in small towns or cities where neither the government business nor the convenience of the people justified the expenditure.

**The Christmas Light.**

Long years ago the Christmas star shone o'er remotest bounds of earth. And led the wise men from afar Unto the Babe of lowly birth.

Today that same clear, guiding light Is shining as it shone for them. To point the way thru earthly night Unto "The Birth at Bethlehem."

The birth of innocence and peace May be of every day a part. Then Christmas joys shall never cease. But spring eternal in the heart. —S. A. Hughes.

**For a Woman's Bureau.**

A new bureau is about to be added to the Department of Labor if a bill recently reported from the Democratic Committee on Labor, in the House, becomes a law. It proposes to appropriate over \$17,000 for the establishment of a Woman's Division whose duty it shall be to investigate conditions surrounding wage-earning women, and make reports thereon. The result of such a law would be another instance of duplication of work already being done by other branches of the Government such as the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Children's Bureau, and would add a few thousand more pages to the monotonous mass of technical statistics now being turned out annually by the present administration of the Labor Department. This bit of legislation is no doubt intended to appease the women of the country who have not been pleased with the Democratic party's stand on suffrage.

**Is There a Santa Claus?**

As an echo of that famous editorial of the late Charles Dana in the New York Sun, written to a little girl who feared that Santa Claus is not real, is the following from the Galesburg Mail:

What's this loose talk we hear floating around—the talk of doubters and dissenters, the half-afraid questioning of the unbelievers— "Is there a Santa Claus?"

Who dares ask this question? Who dares doubt it? Who dares even grant the possibility of denial?

We call down upon his head the wrath of all right-thinking men!

Would the world's hard heart turn soft each year amid the snows and blows of winter, sending rays of gladness into each dark spot, if there were no Santa Claus?

Would grim-faced gargoyles, the buccaners of business, cease their warfare against their fellows and try to make right the wrongs they have done, if there were no Santa Claus?

Would slinking servants of sin lay aside their tawdry tinsel and accept for once the things of the spirit and the tidings of righteousness if there were no Santa Claus?

Would war-mad millions halt in their slaughter to kneel before tiny sprigs of evergreen, their death-dealing engines idle for once if there were no Santa Claus?

Would starved little children with pinched and piteous faces laugh with glee over a mountful dinner and beautiful dolls and marvelous toys, if there were no Santa Claus?

Goto with that talk that would blast childish hopes and snatch the joy from humanity's breast! Shame on you, for ever suggesting such a question!

And if there's a bit of unbelief— if still you are unconvinced of the jolly saint's existence— we ask you to wait till Monday for your answer.

Then, amid the squeals of happy children and the pleasant voices of grown folk made glad, you'll have to accept the universal verdict:

OF COURSE there's a Santa Claus!

**Rippling Rhymes**  
By WALT MASON

**CHRISTMAS BELLS**

Oh Christmas bells, your music swells upon the buoyant winter breeze. I dry my tears and shed my years, when I hear happy sounds like these. I'm gray and bent, an ancient gent, who may not see another spring; my knees are springing, but I feel young, when Christmas bells begin to ring. I'd give no hoot for that galoot, who doesn't feel the Christmas glow, who doesn't sing when joy bells ring, and turn some handsprings in the snow. Oh, Christmas bells, your music spells forgetfulness of workaday cares; a little while we sing and smile, and dance around like circus bears. A little while the grief and gule, the grind of life forgotten are; our hearts are shaved, we walk abroad, and sing of Bethlehem afar. A little while we cease to pile more plunks upon our stack of brass; the soul fog lifts we hand out gifts, instead of trying to amass. Oh, Christmas bells, your music dwells forever in the old man's mind, recalls the truth of honest youth, the days he's left so far behind.

**THIS DATE IN HISTORY**

December 24, 1778—Col. George Rogers Clark in command at Kaskaskia, published an order forbidding slaves to walk the streets after sundown without special permission from their masters.

**LISTEN**

Your last chance today to get just what you want in Candy for Christmas: Allegrotti, Huylers, Whitmans, Appolo, Fass, Schaffs, and Dolly Varden packages if you have overlooked anybody. We can take care of you today.

**MERRIGAN'S.**

**SPECIAL PARCEL POST DELIVERY.**

In order to accommodate patrons of the Jacksonville postoffice Postmaster Dunlap yesterday arranged for a parcel post delivery this morning. The Christmas business at the postoffice has been very heavy and all mails Saturday brought dozens of sacks to add to the big total already at the office. To avoid congestion and take care of the public the extra service was arranged for this morning.

**Coverly closes 10 a. m. Monday.**

**OUR BEST WISHES.**

We wish to extend to all our friends our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**DORWART'S MARKET.**

## FAMOUS PLAYER WILL COME TO SCOTT'S

Clara Kimball Young Will Be Seen in "The Common Law" Monday and Tuesday

Tomorrow and Tuesday patrons of Scott's theater will have the opportunity of seeing Clara Kimball Young in the well known play, "The Common Law" by Robert W. Chambers.

Of all the film productions announced for this winter none has aroused greater interest among the millions of motion picture fans than the presentation of that beautiful and tremendously popular star, Clara Kimball Young in a 7-reel adaptation of Robert W. Chambers' world-famous novel, "The Common Law," which will be seen at Scott's Theater, Monday and Tuesday.

The story of "The Common Law" has been changed very little in its adaptation to screen requirements. The millions who have read the Chambers novel and thrilled with sympathetic solicitude for its heroine, will find the picturized version even more to their liking, while those who have never read the story will enjoy the picture for its own sake as one of the few worth-while film productions of the year.

In one of the scenes in the big Selznick-Picture production of "The Common Law," by Robert W. Chambers, in which Clara Kimball Young is starring, Director General Albert Capellani employed 450 extra people in evening clothes to represent a New Year's eve celebration in a popular Broadway restaurant. The setting was an exact replica of a famous lobster place in the white light district and covered the entire studio floor. It also shows the screening of a photoplay in the grand ball room of the St. Regis, one of New York's most dignified hostilities, causing no end of comment. This is the first of the new Selznick-Pictures and from all reports it is a world-beater.

**Many very DESIRABLE STYLES OF LADIES' FURS are shown by FRANK BYRNS Hat store. Open Monday until noon**

**CITY AND COUNTY**

Mr. and Mrs. Leland S. Griffith of Amboy are guests of Mrs. Griffith's mother, Mrs. Margaret Colwell of Alexander.

William Taylor of Virginia is expected here today for a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. John A. Shadd of East Court street. Mr. Taylor is conducting a successful shoe repairing business in Virginia.

Miss Kathleen Walsh of Escanaba, Mich., is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walsh, 1125 Hardin avenue. Bernard Walsh, her brother, arrived several days since from Notre Dame, Ind., where he is a student in the university.

Asbury pia social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scott, Thursday evening, Dec. 28. Everyone invited.

Miss Edna Carter left this morning for a Christmas visit with friends in Chicago.

Miss Grace Nebold is expected to arrive this morning from Kankakee, where she is teaching in the high school. Miss Nebold will spend the holidays with her mother Mrs. Amelia Nebold.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stewart of the Orleans neighborhood are now visiting their daughter, Mr. Moses Greenleaf near Murdock, Kansas.

**Portables, Electroliners, Irons, Toasters and the celebrated Frantz Premier Electric Cleaners. Walsh Electric Co.**

**FUNERALS**

**Ashurst.**

Funeral services for Mrs. Ida May Ashurst were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at First Baptist church in charge of the Rev. J. W. Rhoads, assisted by the pastor, the Rev. A. A. Todd. Music was furnished by a quartet, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brewer, Fred Mayer and Mrs. Gertrude Richardson. Mrs. Lucy Kolp was accompanist.

Burial was made in Jacksonville cemetery. The bearers were Albert Hart, Jesse Hart, Logan Ashurst, W. A. Pike, Joel Summers and Conrad Yunker.

**OPEN UNTIL NOON MONDAY**

Our store will be open until noon Monday. Russell & Thompson.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Laycock of Ursa are guests of Mrs. J. W. Litter at her home, 1326 West State street.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bailey and daughters, Ruth and Ruby of Winchester, came to Jacksonville Saturday in their Pullman car. They found the roads in good condition for the greater part of the distance.

Miss Clara Deters has resumed the position she held sometime since as bookkeeper at Passavant hospital. Miss Deters has been office assistant for Dr. A. L. Adams and that position is now being filled by Miss Nina Pieper.

**How about the battery? Read Illinois Tire Co.'s ad page 10.**

**STOLE HORSE BLANKET.**

J. H. Scott tied his horse in the alley near the bakery plant of the Jenkinson-Hagley company Saturday about noon. The vehicle had been there but a few minutes until someone stole the new blanket which covered the horse. Mr. Scott has a very good idea as to the identity of the guilty party and is expecting to recover the property.

**LICENSED TO MARRY.**

Charles L. Flowers, Jacksonville; Elizabeth F. Zettle, Peoria.

Tomie Baker, Alexander; Ella Blankenship, Alexander.

## Have You Joined Our Christmas Saving's Club?

## Elliott State Bank

We Wish Our Friends

a  
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
and

An Abundance of Good Cheer  
thru All the Year.

## BRENNAN'S

South Sandy Street

## Scott's Theatre

TWO DAYS MONDAY and TUESDAY TWO DAYS



The Screen Star Supreme

# CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG

In the Photo-Dramatic Event of the Eason

## The Common Law

By ROBERT W. CHAMBERS

IS MARRIAGE NECESSARY?

That is the Question Solved by the Heroine in the

Great Selznick—Super Picture

Revealing Life in the Art Studios of New York City

Time of Shows—1, 2:45, 4:30, 6:15, 8.

Adults, 20c; Children, 10c.

FREE LIST SUSPENDED

## GRAND OPERA HOUSE CHRISTMAS WEEK SPECIAL

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS. A SPECIAL ATTRACTION  
E. P. Churchill, Inc., Presents

## "AROUND THE TOWN"

The Headliner of Musical Comedies

25 PEOPLE—MOSTLY GIRLS 25

5—Big Scenes—5—A Dollar Show at Popular Prices

The well known favorites, Earl Dewey and Mabel "Billie" Rogers, supported by Churchill's famous beauty chorus.

3 — PERFORMANCES CHRISTMAS DAY — 3

Matinee Picture ..... 2 p. m. "Around the Town" ..... 3:15  
Night Picture ..... 6:30 "Around the Town" ..... 7:30 and 9  
Admission—Matinees, any seat in the house ..... 25c  
Admission—Night, reserved down stairs and first 2 rows balcony 35c  
Balance balcony ..... 25c Boxes ..... 50c Gallery ..... 15c

THREE DAYS' ENGAGEMENT STARTING WITH CHRISTMAS MATINEE.

Feature Picture Christmas Day—"HONOR THY NAME," featuring Frank Keenan, Charlie Ray and Louise Glaum.



We desire to thank those who have contributed to our success during the past year, and to wish all of our friends a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR. -:-

RUSSELL & THOMPSON

Our Store Open Monday Until Noon

## CITY AND COUNTY

Mrs. Ray Bourne of Woodson was a city caller yesterday.

M. Daniel of Murrayville was one of the city arrivals yesterday.

Mrs. Wm. Reed of Sinclair was one of the city shoppers yesterday.

J. L. Bateman of Franklin was one of the city shoppers yesterday.

Mrs. Jos. Hodgson of Ashland was a traveler to the city yesterday.

F. O. Hynes of Prentice was a city caller yesterday.

George Sturdy was a city arrival from Lynnville yesterday.

Mrs. Charles Hamel of Elm Grove was a city shopper yesterday.

George Fligg and family came to the city from Lynnville yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Wilson of Murrayville were city shoppers yesterday.

Arch McKinney of Riggston visited the city yesterday.

F. A. McAnally of Kankakee spent Saturday in the city on business.

Attorney C. F. Wemple of Waverly was a Saturday visitor in the city.

Adolph Dewisch of Eldred spent Saturday in the city on business.

**Long's East Side Drug Store will be open all day today.**

Mrs. W. F. Campbell of Litchfield was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Claude C. Stark of Nodoo was visiting friends in the city yesterday.

Orville Crum of Little Indian was a city visitor yesterday.

H. Yeck of Concord was added to the list of city callers yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crum of Little Indian were city shoppers yesterday.

Miss Edna Unken of the force at Andre & Andre's will enjoy Xmas with home friends near Chapin.

Miss Gladys Andre has returned from Springfield where she went to attend a dance and house party.

L. Hart of Sinclair precinct was attending to affairs in the city yesterday.

Peyton Bland of Franklin had business calling him to the city yesterday.

Miss Lou Fearnough of the vicinity of Lynnville enjoyed yesterday with city people.

Miss Beulah Williams of Naples was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Elmer Cowdin of Franklin made a shopping trip to the city yesterday.

Misses Mabel Cosgriff and Loretta Lee were city shoppers from Woodson yesterday.

Miss Edith Lister of Little Indian was calling on city people yesterday.

B. L. Tucker and Wm. Wiswell rode to the city yesterday in Mr. Tucker's Reo car.

Excellent lines of cigars, candies and stationery.

Felix Gordon and J. E. Osborne were in the city from Murrayville yesterday.

James Cunningham of the east part of the county was a city caller yesterday.

Harold and Martin Robinson and R. T. Bailey came down to the city yesterday from Prentice.

Wm. Smith and A. E. Story were arrivals in the city from Murrayville yesterday.

J. W. Onken, Paul Egan and Alton Allen were city visitors from Chapin yesterday.

Bert Bean and family came up to the city from Scott county yesterday in their Ford car.

O. E. Petesh and family rode down to the city from Litchfield yesterday in their International car.

Thomas McGinnis of Mercedia was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Petesh of Little Indian were city shoppers yesterday.

Austin Cain and Edward McGinnis of the east part of the county visited the city yesterday.

Nathan Neal of Arcadia precinct made a trip to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

Durrell Crum and wife came down to the city yesterday from Litchfield in their Maxwell car.

Frank Nickel of Concord made a trip to the city yesterday in his GILBERT'S PHARMACY.

**How about the battery? Read Illinois Tire Co.'s ad page 10.**

Maxwell car.

G. L. Tindall and wife of the east part of the county rode to the city yesterday in their Ford car.

Mrs. A. J. Campbell of the west part of the county rode to the city yesterday for shopping purposes.

L. Myers and family made a trip from Joy Prairie to the city yesterday in their Ford car.

Benj. Cade came up to the city yesterday from Murrayville in his Cadillac car.

William Rees of Franklin vicinity drove to the city yesterday in his Reo car.

Mr. and Mrs. Uba Funk of the north part of the county were city shoppers yesterday.

J. H. McIntosh of Chambersburg was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Harriet Schofield of Carthage was transacting business in the city Saturday.

J. B. Lombard was here from Waverly yesterday trading with local merchants.

R. E. Vandeventer of Mt. Sterling called on friends in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Duke of Des Moines, Iowa, were Jacksonville visitors yesterday.

**Long's East Side Drug Store will be open all day today.**

Mrs. C. L. DeWitt of Rushville was attending to business matters in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Winton and Mrs. L. B. Landers of Concord were Saturday shoppers in the city.

Julius Seymour of Franklin spent Saturday in the city trading with local merchants.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Crouse of Galesburg are spending a few days with friends in the city.

Mrs. J. D. Morat and daughter, Miss Genevieve are spending the holidays in Pana, Ill.

Mrs. E. B. Oliver of Chicago, is expected in the city this morning for a visit with relatives.

The Armstrong Drug Stores, S. W. Cor. Square and 225 E. State

Street, will be open all day Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Buckley of Alton are in the city spending Christmas holidays with relatives.

John Halligan of Sinclair journeyed to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

Earl Hembrough of Ashbury neighborhood made a journey to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

Carl West of the east part of the county made a trip to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

Al Leach and Martin Cleary were in the city from the mound district yesterday.

John Leach of the southwest part of the county was a city caller yesterday.

**A few Xmas Tree Lights for rent. Walsh Electric Co.**

Frank Johnson, Walter Oddy, and Mrs. J. W. Foster of Alexander visited the city yesterday.

Miss Loretta Lee of New Berlin was one of the city arrivals yesterday.

Newton Flynn of the east part of the county rode to the city yesterday in his Maxwell car.

J. E. Rundle of the north part of the county traveled to the city yesterday in his Maxwell car.

S. G. Coultas of the west part of the county made a trip to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

A. Votsmeier of Prentice rode down to the city yesterday in his Overland car.

Lester Reid of the southeast part of the county made a trip to the city yesterday in his Overland car.

Jacob Christison and family came up to the city yesterday from Winchester in their Ford car.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Doyle of Scott county made a trip to the city yesterday in their Ford car.

R. Hankins and family traveled from Winchester to the city yesterday in their Ford car.

Mr. and Mrs. John Coe of Winchester traveled to the city yesterday in their Ford car.

**See our portable electric Sewing Machine. Walsh Electric Co.**

Arthur Seymour of Franklin rode up to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

W. H. Mosely of Pisgah traveled to the city yesterday in his Ford car.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Tandy made a trip to Franklin yesterday in their Buick car to enjoy the holidays with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Woods have gone to Hillsboro to enjoy the holidays with Mrs. Woods' parents, Rev. and Mrs. George E. Scrimger.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ray who have been visiting the family of H. C. Jones have returned to their home in Louisiana, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Franks of Kansas City arrived in the city Saturday to spend Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gonsalves of Hubbard Woods, Ill., are in the city spending the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Rodrigues of Chicago, arrived in the city yesterday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Tripp of Assumption, Ill., are spending the Christmas holidays with Miss Carrie Henderson of West Lafayette avenue.

Frank Robinson, who is teaching in Lincoln is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa M. Robinson.

Dr. William Coverly is here from Chicago to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Coverly.

H. Kuchmann of Quincy was visiting friends in the city yesterday.

H. McCane was here from Springfield yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Petesh of the north part of the county drove to the city yesterday in their Cadillac car.

Lathrop H. Ward of Battle Creek, Michigan, is enjoying the holidays with his father, Chas. H. Ward, and sister, Miss Florence.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Johnson, Miss Josie Moloney, Hart Hawkins and family, reached the city yesterday from Winchester and vicinity.

Oliver and Wm. Stout, Wm. Paschall and Allison Tomason were city visitors from the vicinity of Markham.

Messrs. Henry and Homer Lindsey of Chicago are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lindsey of West North street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Huddleston of Franklin were visitors in the city yesterday.

Frank Hunter of Sinclair was a visitor in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robertson and daughter, Jane, motored to the city yesterday from Alexander.

Mrs. Al Jewsbury of Markham was a shopper in the city yesterday.

Miss Ethel Rayborn, instructor in Centralia Business college, arrived Saturday forenoon for a brief holiday visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rayborn.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Phillips of Cerro Gordo are expected here to spend Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Preston Wood, of Duncan place.

Frank W. Phillips, their son, arrived Saturday and will spend a portion of the holidays here.

H. E. Bray was expected to arrive Saturday night to spend Christmas with his family at 1030 Grove street.

R. S. Stevenson of Virginia was a Jacksonville visitor Saturday.

Miss Elsie Todd will leave Monday for a visit of several days in Chicago.

Roy Crouse of Concord was attending to business in the city yesterday.

Milton Seymour arrived Saturday evening from Colorado for a visit here and in Franklin, where he will be at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Seymour.

Mrs. Lella Blackburn and Miss Florence Blackburn arrived Saturday from Wilmington, Ill., where they have been visiting Mrs. Blackburn's father, Mrs. G. G. Steinart. While there Miss Blackburn worked on the staff of the Joliet public library. Miss Blackburn will leave the first of the year to assume her duties in the registrar's office at the University of

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

Very Happy and Prosperous

Coming New Year

We want to thank our customers and friends, one and all, for the many courtesies you have extended to us in the way of buying Dry Goods, Millinery, Etc., during the year 1916 now coming to a close. It will be our aim for the coming year to improve greatly over the past, giving our customers **better service, better values, best styles** American markets produce in all the lines we carry, at the lowest prices for each. If you have not been a customer of this store yet, start with the New Year. You will have no cause for regret. Again we thank you.

ALWAYS CASH

**Floreth Co.**

ALWAYS CASH

## Automobile Washing

The high grade finish of your Auto can be ruined easily, if not washed with utmost care.

Our work guaranteed

**Cherry's Livery**

Phones 850

## \$500,000 TO LOAN ON FARMS

I HAVE AN ARRANGEMENT WITH SEVERAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO MAKE LOANS ON FARM PROPERTY IN MORGAN AND ADJACENT COUNTIES. LOW RATE OF INTEREST WITH PAYMENT PRIVILEGES. IF YOU WANT MONEY, SEE ME.

**JOEL W. HUBBLE**

Bell Phone 852

Illinois Phone 50-1222

## Last Hour Remembrances

You may have forgotten the Christmas remembrance for some relative or friend.

A book or card of greeting can be quickly chosen. We still have a fine selection.

OPEN TODAY

**Atherton's**

East Side Square

Why not send a New Year's Card?

## Quilting

Quilts \$1.00 and \$1.50 per Quilt

Factory 2021-3 East State Street. Opposite Post Office.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

A Merry Christmas to all our customers and friends and the general public. We shall be open Monday until noon.

H. Weber & Sons.

**BELLANS**

Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

## Hughett's Cash Market HOLIDAY SPECIALS

Elm City Flour	\$2.30
Mac's Best Flour	2.30
Minnesota Queen Flour	2.40
Zephyr Flour	2.65
25 lb. pocket Cane Sugar	1.95
Woodford Corn, per can	.12
Pride of Janesville, per can	.10
Elm City, per can	.10
2 cans No. 3 Tomatoes, Bunny Brand	.25
Jolly Brand Tomatoes, No. 2 can	.10
Comb Honey, 6 frames	1.00
Special Peaberry Coffee, 25c lb., 5 lbs.	1.10
Hughett's Hummer Baking Powder, no alum, 1 lb.	.22
Elm City Brand Rolled Oats, regular size	.9c
Family size	.23c
Lily Flake Crackers, ten cent size	.9c
Select Sodas, large size	.20c
Nice Grape Fruit, 6 for	.25c
White Bear Cleaner, 3 16 oz. cans	10c
5 lb. sack Morton Table Salt	.8c

DRESSED POULTRY

Fresh and Salt Meats at Lowest Cash Prices

Illinois Phone 129

Bell Phone 747

**Men's or women's silk Umbrellas; late styles are shown by FRANK BYRNS Hat Store. Open until noon Monday.**

LECK'S MARKET.

The place to get your supplies is Leck's East State street market. There you will get a fine assortment of a hearty welcome, good wishes for Christmas and New Year for everybody.

We wish you heartily the Season's Greetings and assure you of our keen appreciation of your good will and patronage.

FARMERS STATE BANK & TRUST COMPANY

## Modern Garage

Wheeler & Sorrells, Proprietors

May your Christmas Joys be many and the

Coming Year One of CONTINUOUS GOOD LUCK

and PROSPERITY

Is Our Wish



# SIX J. B. C. PUPILS WIN HONOR PENNANTS

Speed and Accuracy in Typewriting  
the Basis of Award—One Student  
Qualifies for National Honors.

Six students won honors in tests for speed and accuracy in typewriting at Brown's Business College and one student, by qualifying for membership in the junior department of the National Order of Artistic Typists, won especial distinction. Contests for membership in this order are held under direction of the Gregg writer and awards are given only for work virtually perfect. The winner of this honor was Miss Lida Thomas.

The six who won the pennants for tests submitted by the Remington Typewriter Co., were Reecy Oliver, Florence Biggs, Lucy Coultas, Mary Leib, Mary Edmonds and Thessal Webster. The tests require a minimum of twenty five words a minute for ten minutes, with not over

or five errors, five words to be deducted for each error. A more difficult test, for which card cases are given by the company requires forty words a minute for ten minutes, with not over five errors and five words to be deducted for each error. Fifty-five words a minute for fifteen minutes, and no errors is required for the Remington Gold Medal test.

**Portables, Electroliers, Irons, Toasters and the celebrated Frantz Premier Electric Cleaners. Walsh Electric Co.**

## CHANGE OF NAME

Public notice is hereby given that effective Jan. 15, 1917, the corporate name of the J. F. Claus Tea Co. will be changed to the Schrag-Cully Coffee Co.

J. F. Claus Tea Co.  
Jacksonville, Ill., Dec. 23, 1916.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

J. E. Ohler to Margaret Higler, lots 3 and 4, block 29, City addition to Jacksonville, \$1.

# WEATHER MAN THREATENS TO REPEAT

Prediction of Snow Today Recalls  
Storm Which Visited City One  
Year Ago.

The United States Weather man at Chicago in his forecast issued at 7 o'clock last night predicts that snow will fall in Illinois today. If the fall is greater than seven inches history will repeat itself as it was just one year ago today that Jacksonville was visited by a heavy snowstorm.

At 12:30 a. m., this morning (Sunday) the white flakes began to fall and if they continue at the present rate, Jacksonville will have a real Christmas, with snow covered fields and the branches of trees weighted down with the frozen rain.

From the Jacksonville Journal, Saturday, Dec. 25th, 1915:

"One of the heaviest snowstorms in recent years visited Jacksonville and vicinity Friday. Snow began falling at 3 a. m. Friday and was still falling at 2:30 a. m., this morning, covering the ground to a depth reported variously from seven to ten inches.

"Traffic on all railroads entering the city was delayed and the street railway company kept their cars running all night Friday in an attempt to keep their tracks clear. Telephone and telegraph wires were interrupted to some extent, especially in the vicinity of Decatur where the Western Union lost several of their circuits.

"Pedestrians found navigation rather difficult Friday and most of the business houses had a very good trade. No doubt the city authorities will have out the snow shovels today and the citizens ingeneral will aid in cleaning the walks."

Special sale of candies now in progress. See our window.  
**GILBERT'S PHARMACY.**

## MORTUARY

### Price

Mrs. Sara M. Price, aged 62 years, died at Passavant hospital Saturday morning at 10 o'clock after an illness extending over a period of several months. Deceased was the daughter of M. M. and Hannah F. Shreve and was born in Jacksonville. She was united in marriage to George W. Price in 1888. After her marriage she resided in Atkinson, Ill., and Council Bluffs, Iowa, where Mr. Price was principal of the public schools. While at Council Bluffs Mr. Price's health failed and they went to Pecos Valley in New Mexico and then to Denver, Colo., in the hope of benefiting his health. Mr. Price died in Denver and the body was brought here for burial.

For a short time she resided here after the death of her husband. She then went to Denver on the advice of physicians for the benefit of her son's health. He died in Denver at the age of 16 years and she brought the remains here for burial. Since she has lived with her mother, Mrs. Hannah F. Shreve for whom she has cared for.

Mrs. Price is survived by her mother and the following brothers and sisters, W. H. Shreve Santa Monica, Cal., Mrs. W. C. Goodrick of Toronto, Canada, and Joseph F. Shreve of this city. One brother preceded her in death at the age of 21 years and one sister died in infancy.

Mrs. Price was a faithful member of First Baptist church. She was consistent in her worship and as long as her health permitted she took an active part in the work of the church. The funeral will be held Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the First Baptist church with services in charge of the Rev. A. A. Todd.

### Shoedack.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Shoedack died Saturday at noon. Burial will be made in Jacksonville cemetery this morning at 10 o'clock.

### LISTEN

Your last chance today to get just what you want in Candy for Christmas: Allegritis, Huylers, Whitmans, Appolo, Fass, Schaffs, and Dolly Varden packages if you have overlooked anybody. We can take care of you today.  
**MERRIGAN'S.**

### HOGS SOLD WELL

A recent issue of the National Live Stock Reporter records the fact that two local stockmen, in taking their hogs to St. Louis markets secured a price considerably above that offered in Chicago. Says the paper: "J. W. Wilson of Morgan County marketed 68 head of hogs that averaged 245 pounds and sold for \$19.50 a price fifteen cents above that of the Chicago market. H. H. Richardson of the same community put a car load of hogs on sale which averaged 245 pounds and sold for \$19.45."

**OPEN TODAY**  
The Allcott Drug Store, east side square, will be open today.

### WE WILL SHOE YOU.

The place to get well shod is at the shoe store of James McGinnis & Co. We wish everybody a very happy Christmas and a New Year and plenty of peace and prosperity.  
James McGinnis & Co.

The Model meat market, West Morgan street, will meet you half way with lots of good things. We hope all will have a merry Xmas and a happy New Year.

**CONDUCTING SINGING SCHOOL.**  
Miss Mary Violet of Beardstown, who received instruction in voice from Mrs. Hartmann of the College of Music of Illinois Woman's college is conducting a singing school at Grace Chapel northwest of the city. She has a class of twenty and the work will be carried until the latter part of March.

# NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY December 24

Charles W. Cadman, well-known American composer, whose Indian songs and studies have been one of the notable additions to American music of the last decade, is 35 years old today. Mr. Cadman is a native of Johnstown, Pa. He early became interested in Indian music, and lived for a time in the Omaha Indian reservation, and among other Indian settlements in the West, to study the music of the Red Man, securing phonographic records of the unadulterated folk melodies of the race. Mr. Cadman was chairman of the American Music Congress which led to the notable musical festival at Los Angeles in June of last year. He has lectured extensively on Indian folk-lore.

Dr. Henry C. Evans, president of Texas Presbyterian college, is 65 years old today.

Congressman James H. Davis of Texas, notable temperance advocate 63 years old today.

Harry Hays Morgan, American consul general of Hamburg, Germany, who says that Germany expects America to be her closest trade associate after the war, 56 years old today.

Right Rev. Mgr. Olivier E. Mathieu, Archbishop of Saskatchewan, formerly president of Laval University, 63 years old today.

Congressman William Scott Vare of Pennsylvania, re-elected Nov. 7, 49 years old today.

Jim Flynn, veteran of the boxing ring, 37 years old today.

Queen Alexandrine of Denmark, born a Princess of Mecklenburg, 37 years old today.

General Albert d'Amede, one of France's military leaders in the present war, 60 years old today.

## TO CHANGE CORPORATE NAME

By announcement which appears in another column it will be seen that the name of J. F. Claus Tea Co. Inc., will soon be changed to the Schrag-Cully Coffee Co. This change will be made in accordance with an agreement entered into when Mr. Schrag and Mr. Cully took over the control of the business.

Both of these young men because of industry and ability have increased a business already prosperous. They know the tea and coffee trade thoroly and have the entire confidence of the public. It is gratifying to note their progress and worth.

## MR. HAIRGROVE MAY BE CANDIDATE

Former State's Attorney William N. Hairgrove may become a candidate for circuit judge in this district to succeed the late Judge James A. Creighton. Saturday Mr. Hairgrove stated that he had practically decided to seek the nomination altho he was not quite ready for an announcement. Mr. Hairgrove has a wide acquaintanceship in the district which will be of great advantage to him if he determines to enter the race.

**OPEN TODAY**  
The Allcott Drug Store, east side square, will be open today.

## STATE STREET MUSIC.

Special music, as follows, will be given this forenoon at State Street Presbyterian church:

"There Were Shepherds," by Charles Vincent.

Solo, "The Christ Child," by Whitney Combs, will be sung by Mrs. Barr Brown, accompanied by Miss Minnie Hoffman, violin obligato.

"A Song in the Night," by Woodman. Fifth part sung by Miss Katherine Brown.

## STILL SOME LEFT.

We had a fine trade all fall but still have some good things in the way of clothing left. We wish you plenty of happiness and good cheer and hope all will be well with you.  
Knoses, the clothier.

## HOW WE SHINE.

If you will call at our north side place you will see how we shine, renovate hats and the like and how beautifully we shine the shoes. Merry Christmas to all.  
John Carl.

## WELL CLOTHED.

This will apply to all who order their garments of the Jacksonville Tailoring Company. A hearty good wish for your happiness and this holiday season and the good things all the year.

## JOHN C. PENDLETON DIES

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 23.—John C. Pendleton, aged 66, Democratic member of congress in 1888-1890 from the first West Virginia district, died at his home here early today from infirmities of age.

## BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

Washington, Dec. 23.—Sinking of the British steamer Lariston was reported to the state department today from London. Neither place, time nor manner were given.

## ISSUE ANNUAL REPORT

New York, Dec. 23.—The cash value of securities owned by the Rockefeller foundation at the close of 1915 was about \$195,000,000, according to the annual report for that year issued here today.

## DANISH STEAMERS SUNK

London, Dec. 23.—The Danish steamers Hroptayr and Dansburg have been sunk.

Boston hockey fans are to be well provided with their favorite sport this winter. In addition to the Harvard and Tech teams, the Boston A. A., the Boston Hockey club and the Arena Hockey club teams will furnish the Hub with the ice sport.

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and  
During Nineteen Seventeen  
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is our earnest  
wish.

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## WITH THE SICK

Mrs. Thomas Bond is reported quite ill at her home on South Church street of lagrippe.

William Nunes has been confined to his home on East Independence avenue for a week past with illness. Yesterday his condition was somewhat improved and he hopes to be able to attend to business again during the next week.

Benjamin Winner of Hutchinson, Kans., is here called by the serious illness of his brother, Samuel Winner, at his home on Grand avenue. Mr. Winner, who is eighty two years of age is suffering from pneumonia. His condition yesterday was somewhat improved.

Mrs. Roy Conkle is confined to her home, 731 South West street, by an attack of lagrippe.

Mrs. Leitta Schwell is ill at her

home southeast of the city of lagrippe.

**Long's East Side Drug Store will be open all day today.**

## HERE FOR THE WINTER

Dr. George Hamilton of Roseville, Ill., is in the city for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Orville Adkisson, 819 Grove street. He expects to remain in Jacksonville for the winter months. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Irving and daughter, Margaret, of Roseville, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Adkisson.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Z. Reinback of Waverly are visiting Mrs. Wanda Wyatt of Franklin.

Miss Almada Manley of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her aunt, Miss Pamela Boulware of Franklin.

## MATRIMONIAL

### Flowers-Zettie

Charles L. Flowers of this city and Miss Elizabeth Frances Zettie of Peoria were united in marriage Saturday evening at 7 o'clock by Justice W. T. Dyer at his home, 717 South Diamond street. The groom is a teamster and they will reside in this city.

The drug and special lines department of our store open today.

**GILBERT'S PHARMACY.**

### PROBATE COURT.

In the estate of James F. Cowdin, the widow's relinquishment and selection were approved.

1916

1917



## TO MY PATRONS AND FRIENDS

I feel that the year 1916 should not pass without some expression of gratification over the cordial relations existing between us and I desire to convey the Season's Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year—and may the spirit of the Christmas season radiate through all your days of Nineteen Seventeen.



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## PROGRAM FOR THIS WEEK

### MONDAY

## SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

# "The Mainspring"

A strong drama in five parts, featuring Francella Billington and Ben Wilson.

ALSO A GOOD COMEDY

### TUESDAY

# "Should She Have Told"

A dramatic story in three parts of a social outcast, a man's honor and a woman's secret, featuring Edward Heam and Ruth Clifford.

### WEDNESDAY

## BLUEBIRD PHOTOPLAY

# "The Sign of The Poppy"

A mystery story of mistaken identity with the sinister atmosphere of Chinatown and the revenge of the Tongs.

### THURSDAY

# "The Heel of the Law"

The dramatic story of a man who broke up the crime trust; in two parts, featuring King Baggott.

### FRIDAY

## "LIBERTY"

Final episode, in two parts, featuring Marie Walcamp and Eddie Polo.

# "The Mansard Mystery"

A two reel mystery drama, featuring Neva Gerber and Howard Crampton.

### SATURDAY

# "The Greater Power"

The story of a black sheeps reformation, featuring Harry Griffith and Alice Beice.

### COMING

Another big serial, "THE PURPLE MASK"—20 episodes—20 weeks, featuring Francis Ford and Grace Cunard.

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A Red Feather Photoplay every Monday.  
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## MANY PROGRAMS PORTRAY THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Highly Successful Event Saturday Evening at Trinity Episcopal Church—Observances at Literberry, Alexander and Franklin.

Altho the coming of Christmas has been heralded by many programs appropriate to the season, few would excel in effectiveness the one presented at Trinity guild house Saturday evening by the children of Trinity Episcopal Sunday school. There was a handsome tree which formed the center of a charming plan of Christmas decoration and in this setting a program of songs and recitations was carried out by the following children:

Prof. J. G. Ames, superintendent of the Sunday school, led the devotional service and Lester Cornick, chairman of the program committee, had the entertainment in charge. The children who took part were William Capps, McClure Capps, Ethel Cornick, Charles Cornick, Eleanor May Ames, Eleanor Andre, John Russell, Alexander Russell, Sarah Russell, Eleanor Russell and Isabel Woodman, with Miss Miriam Russell at the piano. Prof. Ames and two able assistants took the place of Santa Claus, who found it impossible to be present and telegraphed his regrets. Mrs. Charles Cornick had charge of the training for the program and deserves especial credit for the merit made manifest.

Programs at Franklin  
It was a well pleased audience which witnessed the presentation of "The Homestead Santa," given at the church Saturday evening by the pupils of Franklin M. E. Sunday school. The program was of high quality and the cantata, full as it was of the Christmas spirit, made a fitting observance for the Yuletide season.

Special Christmas services will be held at the Franklin M. E. church both morning and evening. This forenoon the pastor, Rev. J. N. Jerman, will speak from the theme, "Where Was Christ Before Christmas?" The evening topic will be, "True Christmas Chimes." At the church of the Sacred Heart there will be three masses—Christmas morning, 6:30, 7:30, and 10:30 o'clock. The church has been attractively decorated by members of the altar society. Saturday evening there was a Christmas tree in Marquette hall and there were many people in attendance for this time of Christmas cheer. A new stage just completed adds much to the convenience of Marquette hall as a place of entertainment.

"Santa's Reception" was the subject for a pleasing cantata given Saturday evening at Olinger's hall by children of the Christian church Sunday school. The quality of the performance was good and the friends who attended felt well repaid. This morning the pastor, Rev. James Todd, Jr., will speak on the subject, "The First Christmas Message; Does it Mean as Much to us Today?" The evening theme will be, "The Story of Santa vs the Story of Jesus."

A Christmas tree and program was held Saturday evening at Providence M. E. church near Franklin. At Alexander M. E. church a good crowd assembled Saturday evening to hear the annual Christmas program given by pupils of the Sunday school. A handsome tree was on hand and the auditorium was beautifully decorated with evergreens and other Christmas tokens. In the course of the evening a treat for the children was distributed. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. E. J. Kumble, Mrs. Ernest Strawn, Mrs. Claude Beerup and Mrs. William Aulbaugh. Song by school. Prayer—Rev. Mr. Johnson. Duet—Florence and Edward Erickson.

Christmas welcome—Irene Woods. Christmas song—Della Trent. Christmas tree—Kenneth Miller. Christmas in Holland—Eva Cockin.

The Christ Child in the Manger—Ivan Centers. Why Christmas Comes—Mabel Snyder. Carol of Christmas—Ralph Mason. Christmas secrets—Jacob Kniceley. Thru the Shining Gates—Christian Young. Song—Daddy has a Sweetheart.

Lillian Kumble. Dialogue, The Letters of Christmas—Primary Class. Kris Kringle—Percy Davenport. Aunt's Christmas Letter—Margaret Cockin. A Word of Three Letters—Katherine Morgan. December—Thelma Centers. Wintels—Arthur Edmonds. Song, Christmas—Una Cockin. A Christmas Legend—Ruth Black. I Have a Birthday—Minnie Wiley. Song by school. Recitation—Carl Trent. Santa Claus' Visit—Roy Centers. If I Were Santa Claus—Wilbur Kumble. Flowers of Christmas—Frank Thompson. Santa Claus and his Mail—John Reif. Duet—Eva and Ruth Cockin. Christmastide—Dallas Morrow. Recitation—Althea Edmonds. Christmas Land—John Rfman. Recitation—Alberta Dempster. Lazy Joe—Roland Centers. Poor Grandma—Fannie Morrow. Happy Christmas—Evelyn Smith. Recitation—Burley Davenport. Delight Divine—Harriet Six. The Little Fellow's Stocking—William Woods. Song—Ester Black and Florence Erickson. The Vision of Little Bess—Ruth Edmonds. Christmas Times—Owen Robbins. To Santa Claus—Chester Trent. The Wiser Way—Kenyon Stapleton and Ivan Centers. Always Christmas—Ruth Cockin. When Grandma was a Girl—Blanche Edmonds. At Christmas Time—Edna Smith. Song, Baby Shoes—Christmas Dream—Louis Henry Riley. Recitation—Mabel Bachary. All Children Know the Story—Eveline Robbins. Recitation—Jerold Thompson. Duet—Ruth and Blanche Edmonds. Kris Kringle—Carl Latham. Recitation—Shella Robins. Dialogue, Good Night—June Ryman, Zelma Centers, Chloa Beerup and Lillian Kumble. Closing song by school.

Literberry Baptist Church  
At the Baptist church in Literberry a Christmas program was given and greatly enjoyed by a large audience. It consisted in the main of two well presented plays, one by the juniors and another by the seniors. All the parts were well taken and the entertainment was a success in every way. This was the program:

Music. Recitation—Irlam Thompson. Junior Play—Jack's Goblins. Characters. Santa Claus—James Alvin Dunlap. Fairies—Mabel Henderson, Ada Scribner, Mary Phelps, Norma Strickler. Puck—Billy Dunlap. Tanglefoot—Norwood Phelps. Blackie—Landis Young. Grandma—Mildred Underbrink. Bess—Mae Dixon. May—Norma Strickler. Nell—Jewell Phelps. Jack—Russell Dunlap. Bill—Paul Phelps. Tom—James Robert Beavers. Frank—Landis Young. Song—Russell Dunlap. Senior Play: Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Yard.

Characters. Mrs. Briggs—Lena Underbrink. Ralph—Warren Daniels. Jimmy—Talmadge Crum. Alvera—Olive Scribner. Melissa—Hazel Becker. Silas Green—Earl Underbrink. Mr. Lee—John Daniels. Virginia Lee—Mrs. Earl Rexroat. Daisy Thornton—Lola Daniel. Mrs. O'Connor—Ellen Scribner. Mandy Bates—Amanda Dixon. Song—Mildred Underbrink. Music—Orchestra. Benediction.

Saturday night's express brought a supply of NECK-WEAR direct from New York to FRANK BYRNS Hat Store.

SOME SATURDAY ARRIVALS  
From Literberry—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Young, Charles Young, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Crum, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Crum, Mr. and Mrs. Durrell Crum, Wm. Decker, E. L. Clark and wife. From Arcadia—Fred Henderson, John Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Huston, J. J. Clark, H. E. Ogle, and J. O. Johnson. From Concord—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bedingfield, Lewis Rexroat, James Cooper, Wm. Rexroat, James Silcox, Ora Hamm. From Chapin—Jacob Hoover, Charles Taylor, Samuel Challiner, Riley Taylor. From Joy Prairie—John Moss, Frank Hiser, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Martin, Edward Joy, Frank Cowdin and Mrs. John Joy. From Franklin—George P. Seymour, Otto Spies, John Tranberger, Dennis Whalen. From Markham—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lazenby, Fred Ranson, Denoy Killiam, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Cleary. From the Point—John Vasey, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Wm. and Albert Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith. From Buckhorn—Herman Baumaister, Jerry Flynn and wife, John Ehler. From Lynville—Charles Potter, Fred Scholfield, John Ranson, Wm. and Walter Feareyough, Prince Coates and family, Robert Coates and family. From Durbin—Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, John Rawlings and wife, John Flynn and wife. From Woodson—John McCormick, George Craig, Wm. Craig and wife, Wm. Mortimer, Edward Reynolds, Morris Seymour, John Wilkinson, Jerome Culp, Fred Culp, Wm. Henry, John Henry, Jordan McAllister, W. E. McCurley, P. J. Crotty, Mr. and Mrs. John Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Butler, John Sheehan, Ball Fitzsimmons, George Newman, James Galloway, John Shelton, S. J. Baxter, Nellis Crain, Jos. Helliwell, Samuel Henry and wife, Fred Lewis.

J. J. Mandeville, Jos. and Richard Megginson, Dr. G. W. Miller, Charles Reynolds, Wm. Book, Allen Sturdy, C. R. Sheppard, Walter Smith, Jack Steinmetz, H. A. Tazewell, George Theiss, Wm. Vasey, and wife, Benard Watson, George Winter, Theis Young, Isaac Watson. From Murrayville—Vernor Baker, James Regual, James Bracewell, Thomas Burns, Benj. Cade, George Clayton, Len Crouse, Leonard Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Gordon, Edward Loneragan, E. F. Million, J. T. Mutch, Edward Rea, Alex. Story, C. Justus Wright, Samuel Story.

From Salem—W. H. Harrison and wife, Thos. Boyd and wife, Frank Winkler.

From Sinclair—Arthur and George Swain, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Swain, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bourn, George Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wheeler, Crit Hainline, Thomas Fox. From Strawn's Crossing—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Strawn, Homer Cully, Howard Cully and wife, Edgar Cully and wife. From Franklin—Wm. Ryan, Ollie Fanning and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, Mr. and Mrs. George Harris, Mrs. Jackson, Henry Slack, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Anderson, Fred Burch, J. G. Howell, Miss Pauline Haney, Mrs. Abe Seymour, Abe Calhoun, Arthur Rawlings, Thos. Ryan, Miss Martha Ryan.

From Prentice—Samuel Farmer, George Flynn, W. W. Robertson, Martin Robinson, Harrison Robinson, John Lewis. From Alexander—Ben Davenport, C. M. Strawn and wife, Ernest Strawn, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cockin, Wm. Cockin, James Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Corington and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thompson, Mrs. Bert Weiss, Norman Dewees. From Orleans—Mr. and Mrs.

Clyde Cox, Mr. and Mrs. James Dobyns, Lloyd Cox, Wm. Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Strawn, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Strawn, Frank Walbran and wife.

From Pisgah—Robert Hoagland, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Curry, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Curry, Allen and Riley Spaenhower, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Sample, George Wood, Jr. and wife, George Wood Sr. and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Benton Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. George Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Barrows.

Henry Trotter, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Baker, George Baker.

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Shaving Sets . . . . . \$1.50 to \$3  
Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets . . . . . \$1.50 to \$15  
Fountain Pens . . . . . \$1 to \$7.50  
Mirrors . . . . . 50c to \$5  
Military Brushes \$1.25 to \$7.50  
Cameras . . . . . \$2 to \$25  
Safety Razors . . . . . 25c to \$5  
Cigars in Boxes . . . . . 50c to \$5  
Shaving Brushes . . . 25c to \$1.50  
White Ivory Toilet Articles . . . . . 25c to \$1.75  
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Yesterday morning when Supt. E. H. Gray of the Jacksonville Railway & Light Co. arrived at his office he found before him on his table a handsome desk set from the employees of the office and a handsome hat rack from the heads of departments.

In the evening when the men came to receive their weekly stipend each married man received a duck and each single man some gift of like value. The feeling between the head and the force in this institution is very gratifying.

## LISTEN

Your last chance today to get just what you want in Candy for Christmas: Allegrotti, Huylers, Whitmans, Appolo, Fass, Schaffs, and Dolly Varden packages if you have overlooked anybody. We can take care of you today.

MERRIGAN'S.

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This is the modest request of Coveley, the south Sandy street grocer and meat market. Come before ten Christmas day and get what you want as I close then. Best wishes for everybody.

A few Xmas Tree Lights for rent. Walsh Electric Co.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS.

From J. D. Benson, the north side restaurant man. He will feed you with the best and at fair prices. Ready day or night for business.

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### DAVIES LAND SALE MEANS WINDUP OF FAMOUS CASE

Two Farms Sold Saturday at Total  
Price of \$56,564.04—J. W. Arnold  
and Dr. Willerton the Purchasers.

The sale of the land belonging to the Llewellyn Davies estate Saturday attracted a large company of buyers. The tracts were offered in several different ways and the final purchasers were J. W. Arnold, who secured 213.87 acres at \$159 per acre, and Thomas Willerton, who purchased 180.03 acres at \$125.31 an acre. The sale was held by the authority of the Farmers' State Bank & Trust company, trustees, and William T. Wilson, their attorney. Capt. John E. Wright and C. Justus Wright were the auctioneers. The prices were considered satisfactory.

The Joyce land was offered first. There was no bid on the north half of east eighty, then the east eighty was bid in by Thomas Willerton at \$155 an acre. The west eighty was bid in by Chris Horner at \$150 an acre and the south 53.8 acres by Mr. Horner at \$120 an acre. Then the whole tract consisting of 213.87 acres was sold to J. W. Arnold at \$159 an acre, amounting to \$34,000.33.

Then the W. C. Ledford farm was offered. The west forty was bid in by W. C. Ledford at \$21 an acre. The tract consisting of 139.04 acres was bid in by Thomas Willerton at \$109.50 an acre. Then the whole tract of 180.33 acres was bid in by D. M. Davies at \$125.25 an acre. Then the whole acreage was offered and bid in by J. W. Arnold at \$142.60 per acre. The understanding is that the tract of 213.87 acres will be deeded to Mrs. J. W. Arnold at \$159 an acre, making a total of \$34,000.33, and that the Ledford farm of 180.03 acres will be deeded to Thomas Willerton at \$125.31 an acre, making a total of \$22,563.71.

Large Sum Realized.  
Previous to this sale the Farmers' State Bank & Trust company had sold privately 120 acres belonging to the Davies estate to Samuel E. Davies at \$175 an acre, totaling \$21,000. This makes a sum of \$77,564.04 realized from all the lands of the Davies estate.

November 6, 1916, by agreement all of the lands were deeded to the Farmers' State Bank & Trust company as trustees. The bank at that time advanced \$41,000 for the payment of attorneys' fees and the interest of the English heirs in the estate. After the costs of the sale have been paid the difference between the \$41,000 and the total proceeds of the land \$77,564.04 will be distributed among the heirs of Llewellyn Davies. There are three sons, E. M. Davies, J. W. Davies and S. E. Davies of Morgan county, one daughter, Mrs. M. E. Loerischer of Elma, Wash. and four children of a daughter now deceased and all residents of this vicinity. They are Llewellyn Davis, Homer Davis, Jennie D. Winter and Mrs. E. Matson.

Long Litigation Ends.  
When distribution has been made to these heirs the affairs of one of the most notable estates which has ever been in Morgan county courts will be finally settled. The litigation involving the estate has been in progress for several years past and the settlement which now culminates is the result of an agreement between the English and American heirs to the estate.

TO THE PUBLIC  
I TENDER TO YOU  
WISHES FOR THE HAPPI-  
EST CHRISTMAS IMAGIN-  
ABLE. MAY SUNSHINE IN  
YOUR RESPECTIVE HOMES  
BE EVER PRESENT FOR  
YEARS TO COME AND SHED  
THEM A HALO OF PUREST  
JOY.  
J. HERMAN.

### MAKING EXTENSIVE IMPROVE- MENT IN R. OF P. BLOCK.

As an improvement to the Knights of Pythias building on the north side of the square Dr. A. B. Applebee and T. M. Tomlinson have put in a tiled entrance. The entire second floor is being remodeled with offices conveniently arranged and equipped in an entirely modern way. It is the intention of the owners later on to install an elevator for the use of both the second and third floors.

After January 1, Dr. Applebee will have the suite over the North Side Drug store for his dental offices and adjoining will be the offices of the Jacksonville Saving & Loan association. This association was incorporated several months ago by well known business men. The purpose of this association like others of the kind, is to provide funds for building and improving homes. The secretary of the association will probably be Dr. Applebee's father, who has for many years been associated with a building and loan association in Fulton county.

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Everybody says they are surprised at the fine things they get for a nickel and a dime at Woolworth's. We wish all a happy holiday and all the good things going and promise to be here with bargains all the year.

MUSIC HATH CHARMS.  
Is true now as it was centuries ago and the place to get it is at the W. T. Brown Music Co. A Merry Christmas and hearty greetings to every one is the wish of this house.

MEN'S WANTS WORTHILY  
FILLED at FRANK BYRNS  
Hat Store. Open Monday un-  
til noon.

### FORD CARS AND WHAT THEY MEAN

Some Interesting Facts Pertaining  
To Those Useful Vehicles.

The following are the facts concerning Ford cars. If you expect to own a Ford car either now or in the spring or any time during the next season, the sooner you place your order the more certain you will be to get it.

Listen.  
The demand for Fords has become so great that the great Ford factory making 800,000 cars a year is unable to supply the demand and has so advised all their agents that they are now 150,000 cars behind orders and that orders are coming in at the rate of 15,000 a day.

They will be unable to catch up for many months to come and that they do not and will not ship cars only on bona fide written orders and those who buy cars late will be compelled to wait for delivery.

We are promised that there will be no reduction in Ford cars until August 1st, 1917, but we are not assured against an advance at any time, neither do we say that the price will advance, but we do know that the unsettled condition of raw materials has made it necessary for other manufacturers to raise the prices of their products and the same may be true of our company and if what we have told you in the past was true and if our advice amounts to anything, I would here suggest that you give me your order and if necessary I will hold your car until such time as you see fit to have it delivered.

The company positively refuses to furnish us with any more cars without a signed order from the purchaser and you will confer a great favor on me besides giving yourself the protection that yourself and family deserve.

Do It Now.  
Get your order in before the first of the New Year and become the owner of a Ford car and a member of the Ford family.  
Wishing you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am very respectfully yours,  
C. N. PRIEST, The Ford Man.

LISTEN  
Your last chance today to get just what you want in Candy for Christmas: Allegrottis, Huylers, Whitmans, Appolo, Fass, Schaffs, and Dolly Varden packages if you have overlooked anybody. We can take care of you today.  
MERRIGAN'S.

### RURAL CARRIER GETS SUBSTANTIAL XMAS GIFT

Alfred R. Leake Given Fine Cash  
Sum by Patrons Along His Route

Alfred R. Leake, the faithful carrier on Jacksonville rural route 3, was covered with confusion yesterday when a committee of citizens representing patrons on the route appeared at the postoffice and presented him with a locked box. When he opened it Mr. Leake found more than \$50, which had been presented him as an evidence of the esteem of those served on his route.

Daniel Moy, E. Phillips and Logan Black collected the fund and they found everyone on the route glad to respond. Mr. Leake is always on the job and takes great pride and interest in looking out for the wants of the route subscribers. Mr. Leake as acknowledgment of the gift wrote the following last night: To Friends and Patrons of my Route I wish to thank you one and all for your generosity and good wishes and for the purse which you have given me as a Christmas remembrance. I cannot find words adequate to express my gratitude but wish to assure you that I greatly appreciate your kindness and will never forget the expression of your good will. I will endeavor to render the same service in the future as I have tried to give you in the past. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year, I am,  
Yours truly,  
Alfred R. Leake.

DON'T FAIL  
Don't fail to see the Hudson  
Super 6 on the Pike's Peak hill  
climb at Scott's theater, Dec.  
27th, day and evening.  
R. T. CASSELL.

USEFUL AND BEAUTIFUL.  
Is what we try to keep for sale. Our millinery and other goods have given satisfaction. We hope all our friends will have happy holidays and a prosperous new year.  
H. J. & L. M. Smith.

THE 25th BUICK MAKES  
WM. BIEBER HAPPY  
William Bieber is the fortunate purchaser of the 25th Buick car of Howard Zahn, the enterprising agent. People will have good cars.

WE HELP TO FEED.  
And we feed to live and so wishing everybody a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year we promise to try harder than ever to please,  
Bergschneider & Kunle, grocers.

HOW SWEET; HOW NICE.  
We try to merit the compliment paid us, how sweet, are our candies; how nice is our luncheonette with hot chili soup and other good things. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.  
Jacksonville Candy Co.

OUR COMPLIMENTS.  
We tender our compliments to our friends and patrons with many good wishes for happiness and prosperity. Our store will be closed all day Christmas.  
Miller Brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Riley, John Snyder, E. E. Mason, Frank Foster, Wm. Flynn arrived in the city yesterday from Alexander.

At this season of  
GOOD WILL and GOOD CHEER  
we extend our thanks for  
PAST FAVORS  
and  
OUR BEST WISHES  
for future Prosperity

MYERS BROS.

### PASSAVANT TAG DAY BROUGHT GOOD RESULTS

Total Collections Amounted to About  
\$350—Miss Sieber Won the First  
Prize.

Tag day for Passavant hospital Saturday resulted in a total of about \$350. There were many young lady collectors and they kept busy thru the entire day. There have been a number of appeals for charitable and philanthropic work and the response yesterday is counted very generous. The campaign work was under the direction of Miss Margaret Ayers and she evidenced a great deal of executive ability and zeal in the work. Several prizes were offered to increase interest in the good work and the first prize of \$5 was awarded to Miss Geraldine Sieber, whose collections totaled \$46.16. The second prize \$3, went to Miss Helena Fraiz, whose collections were \$25.06. The third prize, a box of candy, was awarded to Miss Angeline Towne, who collected \$21.63. The girls who collected \$10 or more were: Miss Ursula Fawcett, \$10.50; Miss Clara Deters, \$10.83; Miss Ruth Ornellas, \$11.03; Miss Katherine Fanning, \$14.44; Miss Edith Jordan, \$14.63; Miss Frances Strawn, \$16.32.

The committee which had entire charge of the tag day arrangements included Miss Margaret Ayers, chairman; Miss Faye Rodgers, Miss Alice Mathis, Mrs. J. H. Clement, Mrs. E. L. Kinney, Miss Mabel Mathews.

Mrs. G. H. Kopperl, Mrs. J. F. Langton, Miss Agnes Rogerson, Miss Esther Spooner.

See our portable electric  
Sewing Machine. Walsh Elec-  
tric Co.

THE FAIR'S THE PLACE.  
Look for the yellow front, west side square, and you will find the Fair where all bargains are yours. The Fair wishes everybody a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

NOTICE  
At the request of employees  
of the Journal company in order  
to permit their having  
Christmas as a holiday, the  
Journal will be issued tomorrow,  
Monday, December 25.  
There will be no issue Tuesday.  
Jacksonville Journal Co.

THE DRY GOODS PALACE.  
Will be found at C. J. Deppe & Co.'s, west side square. With the best wishes for everybody the store of C. J. Deppe & Co. awaits the pleasure of the public for the new year.

THE KRESGE 5 & 10 CENT STORE  
Makes a polite bow to the residents of Jacksonville and vicinity and returning thanks for past patronage promises to do more to deserve its continuance in the future.

To all our  
friends:-

We extend Christmas Greet-  
ings and the Compliments of  
the Season. Our wish is your  
full measure of prosperity for  
the coming year.

Wilson & Harding

## Christmas Greetings

With every good wish

Kind and true,

From all of us

To all of you.

## Andre & Andre Store

Edna Uhnken  
Harriet Andre  
Peter Leonard  
John Godfrey  
Geo. Schildman  
Geo. Hoffman  
James Pyatt  
Denham Harney

W. Cass Hamm  
M. B. Hunt  
Henry Pinkerton  
H. M. Andre  
Edward Leonard  
Walter Huff  
G. B. Andre  
Leslie Dugan



## The Practical Gift At a Practical Price

Cut this list out and use it as a guide in your shopping—  
Read over the list. It may suggest just what you want.

231  
East  
State

# ARCADE

Harry R. Hart

231  
East  
State

Furniture is always a practical gift—It is sensible and  
sure of appreciation—and—Remember we give the S. &  
H. Green Stamps.

Go Carts .....	\$ 5.00	New Home Sewing	
Beds .....	\$ 4.75	Machines .....	\$24.75
Kitchen Cabinets .....	\$22.50	Carpet Sweeper .....	\$ 2.50
Piano Benches .....	\$ 5.75	Vacuum Cleaner .....	\$ 4.75
Cedar Chests .....	\$ 8.50	Shining Cabinet .....	\$ 1.75
Fiber Furniture .....		Asbestos Table	
Leather Seat Rock-		Protectors .....	\$ 2.50
ers .....	\$ 4.50	Library Tables .....	\$ 6.50
Parlor Mirrors .....	\$ 6.75	Buffets .....	\$16.75
China Closets .....	\$14.50	Telephone Stands .....	\$ 3.75
Medicine Cabinets .....	\$ 1.75	Waste Baskets .....	\$ .75
Hall Clocks .....	\$10.00	Smoking Sets .....	\$ .75
Davenport .....	\$22.50	Card Tables .....	\$ 1.50
Ladies' Desks .....	\$ 7.00		
Roll Top Desks .....	\$17.50		
Dining Chairs .....	\$ 7.50		
Dining Tables .....	\$ 9.75		
Dressers .....	\$ 8.75		
Dressing Tables .....	\$ 9.75		
Pedestals .....	\$ 1.75		
Oil Mops .....	\$ .75		
Hat Racks .....	\$ 1.75		
Small Rugs .....	\$ 1.75		

The above prices are intended as a guide but in each case  
we have something to offer you at the price named. Keep  
this list—use it—whether you buy of us or elsewhere—  
"BETTER MERCHANDISE FOR LESS MONEY"

S. & H. Stamps—Your Cash Discount  
Opposite Pacific Hotel East State Street



You can come in and get a "Christmas Banking  
Club" BOOK FREE and join by putting in 5 or 10  
cents, or even 1 or 2 cents for the first week. Increase  
your deposit each week 5 or 10 or 1 or 2 cents.

In 50 weeks:

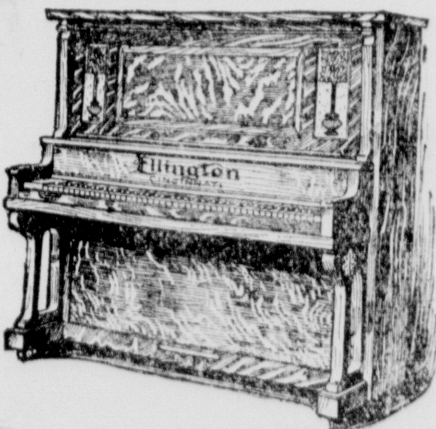
1-cent club pays	\$ 12.75
2-cent club pays	\$ 25.50
5-cent club pays	\$ 63.75
10-cent club pays	\$127.50

You can put in \$1.00 or \$2.00 or \$5.00 each week  
and in 50 weeks have \$50 or \$100 or \$250.

We add 3 per cent interest.

You can start TODAY—START!

## F. G. Farrell & Co.



### The Tone You Can't Forget

PASS through an  
art gallery and  
how many pic-  
tures do you remem-  
ber? Only one or two  
stand out distinctly.  
So it is with pianos.

## The Flington Piano

tone is different, distinctive, remarkable in its richness and brilliancy. It  
is the masterpiece of piano tones of its class. It appeals to your ear  
just as a fine painting appeals to your eye. You can't help but remem-  
ber it. Everyone in the home circle loves it.

No other instrument at the price can equal this marvelous tone—it  
is the result of unequalled facilities in the making.

We are now showing a large variety of styles. Come, see and hear  
them. Terms very reasonable.

### CHARLES A. SHEPPARD

Wholesale—Retail,

203 West Morgan Street.

### SALVATION ARMY AIDED MANY FAMILIES

Generous Baskets of Good Food Dis-  
tributed Saturday

Baskets containing food in ample  
quantity for a bountiful Christmas  
dinner were distributed Saturday by  
the Salvation Army to fifty five  
needy families of the city. Capt.  
Heggen and his assistants were busy  
at the task in the early part of the  
day and did not relax their efforts  
until the work was finished. Includ-  
ed in the contents of each basket  
were a roast of three pounds or  
more, regulated by the size of the  
family for which it was intended,  
a bag of turnips, a peck of potatoes,  
a pound of coffee, several varieties  
of canned goods, a quart of cranber-  
ries, a half pound of creamery but-  
ter, a pound of sugar, a can of con-  
densed milk, a package of macaroni,  
bread and flour, the latter in bags of  
from five to twenty five pounds de-  
pending on the size of the family.  
A copy of the War Cry was also placed  
in each basket.

At the Christmas program to be  
given Monday evening by the Salva-  
tion Army each child will receive a  
pair of stockings and a bag of candy,  
oranges and nuts.

The baskets, cash and other con-  
tributions from the "white gift" ser-  
vice at the First Baptist church were  
distributed Saturday morning by a  
committee including Mrs. F. M.  
Springer, Mrs. Gertrude Richardson  
and C. H. Story, a large number of  
poor families being made happy by  
this generous program.

The Associated Charities will fol-  
low its usual custom of distributing  
food and clothing among the city's  
needy. The contributions to this  
organization have been numerous  
this year and the amount of good  
which will result will be large.

Shoes, clothing and fuel will be  
distributed by the police department  
Monday, it was announced by Chief  
Davis Saturday. A number of cases  
have been investigated and gifts will  
be made where conditions indicate  
that real need exists. Various other  
charitable organizations in the city  
have collected funds for the relief  
of the unfortunate and these will be  
distributed today and tomorrow.

### CANDY

is the only item in the food line  
that has not advanced in price.  
You can get just as nice a box  
of Candy today for 80c or  
\$1.00 as ever. Look the line  
over today at Merrigan's.

### MANCHESTER

The high school pupils and mem-  
bers of the class of 1915 were very  
pleasantly entertained Thursday eve-  
ning at the home of Superintendent  
C. F. Fahrnkopf and wife, assisted  
by Lucile Hull, principal of our high  
school faculty. There were 39 pu-  
pils entertained during the evening  
by games and music. Refreshments  
of brick ice cream and wafers were  
served. All present enjoyed a very  
pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Rochester of  
Litchfield are here for a week's visit  
with relatives and friends.

Miss Lucille Hull left Friday for  
Clinton, La., where she will spend  
the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Fahrnkopf  
went to Decatur Saturday where they  
will spend a few days with relatives.  
From there they will go to Hume,  
for a visit with Mrs. Fahrnkopf's  
parents.

Miss Olive Strong of St. Louis,  
Mo., was a guest at the home of her  
cousin, Mrs. C. R. Heaton, Saturday.

Mrs. Stanley Weiss of Mattoon  
came Friday to spend the holidays  
with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.  
C. Andrus, Sr.

Jett Seal and family of Lynnville  
returned to their home Friday after  
a week's visit at the home of O. J.  
White.

Tessie Cochran spent Wednesday  
in Jacksonville.

Goldie Rochester is employed in  
C. D. Chapman's dry goods store dur-  
ing the holiday season.

Mrs. J. H. Langdon was a Jack-  
sonville visitor Thursday.

### WOMAN'S COLLEGE NOTES

School closed for the Christmas  
holidays Thursday afternoon at 3:15.  
Nearly half of the students left for  
their homes. Four members of the  
faculty, Miss Frisbie, in charge of  
the Physical Training Work, Miss  
Leicht of the Household Arts, Miss  
Benson of Education, and Miss Hol-  
linger, assistant in the Biology de-  
partment, remain at the College  
through the vacation time.

The brick and stone work on the  
gymnasium is finished. The gravel  
roof will be completed in a few days  
if the weather permits. The work  
can now proceed without interrup-  
tion.

A great improvement in the pow-  
er house has been the installation  
of an ash hoist. This is a chain-  
bucket conveyor which lifts the  
ashes from the basement of the pow-  
er house, and from there they can  
be emptied by means of a chute into  
the wagon. In ten minutes as much  
can be taken out by this method as  
formerly required a half day by use  
of a wheel barrow. This improve-  
ment should be greatly appreciated  
by those who haul cinders, as it  
does away with much of the back  
breaking work of shoveling.

Six groups of students sang car-  
ols Wednesday evening for the bene-  
fit of the shut-ins. On their return  
from the sing hot chocolate and  
cakes were served in the Social  
Room.

The Cricket on the Hearth, given  
by the Dramatic Club, was a success.  
Each year's public appearance of  
the club is awaited with much in-  
terest and pleasant anticipation. The  
play given this year demonstrated  
that the young women who com-  
pose the organization have had most  
excellent training and show much  
ability.

The Misses Cecelia and Edith  
Flynn of Sacred Heart Academy,  
Springfield, and Miss Gusse Flynn of  
the Ursuline Academy, Alton, are  
spending the holidays at the home of  
their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John  
Flynn, of Clements, Ill.

### ILLINOIS TEACHERS MEET THIS WEEK

Excellent Programs Arranged for  
Annual Convention in Springfield  
—Legislative Questions Interest.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—The  
coming week will be teachers' week  
in Springfield. Fifteen hundred high  
school principals, city and county su-  
perintendents and grade school  
teachers are expected to be present  
for the annual meeting of the Illi-  
nois State Teachers' association  
which begins Wednesday, Dec. 27.  
The convention will extend through  
Friday and Saturday.

Important legislative problems  
will be before the gathering. A uni-  
form text book measure, which has  
been agitated for several years, will  
again be up.

The unsettled condition in the  
high school situation resulting from  
the supreme court's decision in de-  
claring the high school tuition act  
of 1915 and the township high school  
law, invalid, will give the associa-  
tion serious deliberations on legisla-  
tion to remedy what State Superin-  
tendent of Public Instruction Francis  
G. Blair has called "a chaotic  
condition."

A special committee takes charge  
of the legislative work. Hugh S.  
Magill, Jr., superintendent of the  
Springfield schools, is chairman of  
the committee. There are ten mem-  
bers from each district of the state.

Besides the text book question and  
the high school situation, the teach-  
ers' pension law, which some be-  
lieve is affected by the high school  
tuition decision, and the question of  
lengthening the terms of city super-  
intendents and high school principals  
will be debated. The term of super-  
intendents and principals is now gen-  
erally one year.

Resolutions calling for vocational  
training in public schools also will be  
presented, it is announced.

Decisions of the association on leg-  
islative matters are of importance  
because of the large membership of  
the organization, which numbers 15,-  
000.

The opening meeting Wednesday  
night will be addressed by United  
States Senator W. S. Kenyon of  
Iowa, and State Superintendent  
Blair. Other speakers on the three  
days' program include H. W. Shy-  
rock of Southern Illinois State Nor-  
mal; Prof. W. C. Bagley, director of  
the school of education, University  
of Illinois; Dr. W. W. Charles of the  
University of Missouri; Dr. George  
Betts of Cornell University.

The main session will be held in  
the hall of representatives in the  
capitol building, while sectional  
meetings will be held in schools and  
churches of the city. The program  
has been arranged by the executive  
committee composed of George H.  
Wham of the Southern Illinois State  
Normal at Carbondale; Cyrus S.  
Groves, county superintendent of  
schools, Stevenson county, and Hugh  
S. Magill, Jr., of Springfield.

Girard T. Smith, formerly super-  
intendent of the Peoria school, is  
president of the association. Mr.  
Smith is now at Columbia university.  
The other officers are: First vice  
president, Royal T. Morgan, Wheat-  
on; second vice president, Katherine  
Hamilton, Decatur; third vice presi-  
dent, A. Lulu Hill, East St. Louis;  
secretary, Robert C. Moore, Carlin-  
ville; treasurer, Charles McIntosh,  
Monticello.

It requires good judgment to  
economize wisely. It's alto-  
gether too easy to buy men's  
Furnishing Goods that are  
merely low priced and then re-  
gret it. The men who patron-  
ize FRANK BYRNS Hat Store  
are always satisfied as to style,  
service and price. Ask your  
best friend, HE KNOWS.

### STATE NEWS NOTES.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—Hun-  
dreds of automobile clubs and road  
organizations in Illinois are includ-  
ed in a plan for the formation of a  
state automobile body to be called  
the "Illinois Motor Club Associa-  
tions."

Officials of the Springfield Motor  
club and the Alton Way association  
have put the movement on foot. It  
is planned to admit all automobile  
clubs and all trail associations in the  
state for the purpose of establishing  
a powerful central organization to  
work for good roads and other things  
of importance to automobile owners.  
Clarence J. Root, president of the  
Springfield Motor club, is endeavor-  
ing to communicate with auto club  
officials throughout the state to at-  
tend a meeting in Springfield in the  
near future.

Freeport, Ill., Dec. 23.—More than  
3,500 neatly-wrapped boxes are be-  
ing stored this week in the office of  
William Ascher, a well-to-do con-  
tractor of this city, who on Monday  
next, for the twenty-seventh time,  
will play Santa Claus to the poor  
children of Freeport. In each gift  
package will be a toy, candies and an  
orange, and no youngster will be  
turned away empty handed, even  
though the supply of prepared yule  
packages should give out. Mr. As-  
cher has given a fortune in thus re-  
membering the poor kiddies of Free-  
port at Christmas time, but he in-  
tends to continue to be Santa Claus  
as long as he lives. Some of the lit-  
tle ones who last year came to his  
office for a Christmas remembrance  
were sons and daughter of boys and  
girls to whom he gave gift packages  
twenty-five years ago.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our heartfelt  
thanks of the kindness and sympathy  
shown in our recent bereavement and  
especially J. Capps Sons Coat shop  
for the beautiful flowers.

E. B. Ashurst and Children.

I desire to acknowledge the prompt  
settlement by the Detroit Fire Ins.  
Co., of my loss by fire, Dec. 9, at  
my store 225-227 N. Main street. The  
loss was fully settled after proof had  
been mailed thru Ed. M. Keating,  
local agent.

H. T. Sperry.

We could wish you no  
better on this Christmas  
Day than that you may  
live to see many more.



We wish our friends and customers

a

MERRY XMAS

and

want to express our sincere

thanks for the liberal

patronage extend-

ed us this past

year.

HUDGIN'S



## Mallory Bros

Buy Everything  
Sell Everything  
Have Everything

125 South Main Street,  
Both Phones 436.

We teach  
watches to  
tell the truth

If your watch  
can't be depended  
upon bring it in  
and let our ex-  
pert repair man  
put it in first  
class condition.

Jewelry made  
to look like new.  
No charges un-  
less we do.

Schram's

OUR  
COAL

RADIATES

HEAT  
COMFORT  
CONTENTMENT

TRY IT

Riverton and Carter-  
ville always in stock.

YORK BROS.  
Phones 88

Meat Prices  
Now At a Low  
Point

You will always find the  
choicest cuts here. We  
seek to help our customers  
lower living costs

COVERLY'S  
South Sandy Street  
Both Phones 319

We Extend to All  
A Merry  
Christmas  
And A  
Happy  
New Year

JACKSONVILLE TRANSFER  
AND STORAGE CO.  
607-611 E. State Street

## RADICALS TALK WAR IN SOUTH AMERICA

Proposed Conference at Rio Janeiro  
Did Not Materialize—Argentine  
Would Not Participate.

Santiago, Chile, Dec. — (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The failure of the proposed A. B. C. conference, which was to have met in Rio de Janeiro on November 15th, has prompted editorial comment throughout the entire continent and the echo is yet reverberating.

Dr. Lauro Muller, the Prime Minister of the Brazilian cabinet, is said to have invited the Chilean and Argentine governments to send delegates to a conference to be held at Rio de Janeiro on November 15, the twenty-seventh anniversary of the proclamation of the republic of Brazil.

The exact purpose of the gathering was not made public, but it was understood that Dr. Muller desired the nations named to enter into a peace pact binding each to submit to arbitration any dispute and in any event to wait one year before resorting to arms. The republic of Chile accepted the invitation as did the Argentine tentatively. A change of government in the latter country came before the date of the suggested meeting and the new foreign minister strongly opposed the plan. As it was necessary for the Argentine congress to ratify the proposal, and as they failed to do so, Brazil was notified that her neighbor would not participate. Chile then withdrew her acceptance.

Radical Comment.  
The most radical comment on the affair was published a few days ago in a Chilean journal of socialist tendencies. Under the caption: "Uruguay, the Serbia of South America," the writer claimed that a general South American war was as inevitable as had been the great European conflict for years before the flare of August, 1914. "Argentina will never agree to a peace pact with her neighbors while the matter of the La Plata boundary line is in dispute," said the author. This line runs in mid-channel where the river between 40 and, at places, 60 miles wide, separates Uruguay from Argentine territory.

The Argentine government has spent immense sums in dredging the river from its mouth of the port of Monte Video to a point opposite Buenos Aires, a distance of nearly 200 miles, in order that large ocean steamers might continue to dock in the Argentinian metropolis. A series of islands once claimed by Uruguay are now held on the other side to be Argentinian because of the great expenditure in improving the river channel. This, together with a boundary dispute between Brazil and the Argentine author, made the relations between the three countries somewhat uncertain.

The writer maintains that it is well known in Chile that a secret alliance of both as offensive and defensive character has for some time existed between Uruguay and Brazil.

"What will Chile's attitude be in the event of a crisis," he asks and proceeds to answer by saying that undoubtedly his own country would join the Brazilian-Uruguayan alliance. "While we have no boundary dispute with the Argentine," he continues, "we still have an unsettled question with Peru. Thirty-six years ago we won by conquest their rich territories of Tacna and Arica. Today we hold them still by force of arms. We have not colonized them. They are not yet Chileanized. Of the 12,000 inhabitants of Tacna, 1,500 are Bolivian, 7,500 Peruvians and 3,000 Chileans, but of these latter 2,600 form the military garrison and the remaining 400 are civil employees or servants of the military. The people of the districts call for a plebiscite to determine to which government they belong and the Chilean government dare not accede to their request. Peru knows this and would welcome a war which would help her regain her lost provinces. So in the final lineup we shall find Argentina and Peru pitted against Brazil, Chile and Uruguay."

The views of this writer are in no way substantiated by public opinion throughout South America, but there is a widely expressed and almost unanimous view that the A. B. C. means nothing and is an impractical scheme not workable in either South, Central or North American relationships. The smaller countries object to implied leadership of which the plan carries for the Argentine, Brazil and Chile and ask why the A. B. C. does not as logically spell Argentina, Bolivia and Colombia. The scheme of the American State Department for the establishment of permanent peace in South America finds little welcome in the newspaper columns or chancelleries of the Southern continent.

You can have a wealth  
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## MAVERICKS

He did his shopping early.  
But now 'tis sad to tell,  
They say he is a maniac  
And in a padded cell.

Well, it's all over, and we are still alive.

We'll venture that the clerks do not regard Christmas as a merry season.

The Quincy Whig headlines said the United States would send bare note to the allies. In winter too.

If peace is not secured soon there will be nothing but pieces left of the warring nations.

The new style dresses are to have "chicken" pockets. It seems to us that "chicken" pockets should be placed in the men's clothing.

What is the use of the papers publishing a list of recipes for making fancy dishes when most of us are having hard work to get the necessities of life.

Lee Magee who used to pastime in the old Iowa league with Burlington when Jacksonville was a member of the circuit has asked to be allowed to take his baseball name. Magee was christened Leopold Christopher Hoernschmeyer and he is going to be married and is afraid his wife will not like the name. It is a good old honest German name but Lee probably would miss lots of trains if he stopped to introduce his wife to anybody under his original name.

During the campaigns the democratic orators preached the slogan, "Wilson kept us out of war." Now that Mr. Wilson has been reelected a great hue and cry is being raised about the danger of war with the belligerents in Europe. In our opinion there is no more danger now than there was then. In fact we have never been able to see where we were in danger of getting in war with anybody. Lets all get together. We have democratic prosperity and a democratic administration and what more do we need?

The tactics down in Washington seem to be about the same as they were before election. When President Wilson sent the first note to Germany he had a followup that asked them not to take what he said too seriously. The other day he sent the note to the warring countries suggesting that some steps be taken toward peace. The next day came the followup from Secretary Lansing saying that the interpretation placed on the note was not what the president meant at all. Well, what did the president mean, anyway?

In accordance with our usual custom we offer the following suggestions for suitable Christmas gifts.

Governor-elect Lowden several thousand extra jobs to give his friends.

Chuck Wannamaker an automatic heating plant.

Villa one first class revolution.

General Carranza a place to locate his government.

Lloyd George, some assistance to make good what he has said.

Emperor William somebody else to whip.

The Roumanians a new retreat.

Bill Camp, an optimistic viewpoint.

The city council a bond issue.

Theodore Roosevelt something to fuss about.

William J. Bryan a new issue to have in reserve.

King George, a new bomb proof castle.

The world, peace, good will and some of the milk of human kindness.

Walt Miser a preventative for diphtheria.

President Wilson a solution of the submarine question.

Coach Harmon several star football players.

William N. Haigrove, the nomination on the democratic ticket for circuit judge.

Dr. R. O. Post the gratitude of the community and the blessing of God for a life well rounded out in working for the uplift of humanity.

Charles E. Hughes his job on the United States supreme bench.

The Czar of Russia a victory in battle.

HOUSES TO HAVE

CHRISTMAS TREE

Boston, Mass., Dec. 23.—What is probably the first Christmas tree for dumb animals in the history of this country is to be set up tomorrow in Postoffice Square in this city. The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is sponsor for the unique experiment, which is designed as an influence in teaching drivers to be kind to the beasts in their charge. The big tree will be loaded down with apples, carrots and other things that the horses crave and will be decorated as the thousands of other trees in the city which will gladden the hearts of the youngsters on Christmas morning.

Geo. Richardson and W. G. Richardson were city arrivals from the Point yesterday.

## WILL OF MRS. ORTON FILED IN LOGAN COUNTY

Testatrix Makes Bequests to Numerous Relatives—Portion of Property to be Held in Trust

The will of the late Mrs. Carrie R. Orton has been filed for record in Logan county according to an account in a recent issue of the Lincoln Courier. Mrs. Orton was a daughter of the late W. L. Rutledge and the mother of Mrs. Marshall DeMotte Gates. The will was drawn Nov. 16, 1916, and names Soliday and Franklin Orton as executors to serve without bond.

The document provides for the payment of bequests ranging from \$100 to \$2,000, among the following legatees: George Rutledge, the five children of William Rutledge, deceased, Virginia Soliday, Edwina, Walter, Lincoln and Paul Rutledge, Bessie DeLew, Julian R. Orton, Lucile Orton, Troy Kinney, Mary Caroline Gates, Marshall DeMotte Gates, Marshall DeMotte Gates, Jr., and Dorothy Ross. A portion of the personal property of the deceased is bequeathed to Virginia Gates, Franklin and William Orton, Lyman, Louis and Julian Orton. A house and lot in Lincoln is devised to Phyllis Orendorff, who is also to receive the income of \$1,000, this sum to be held by Franklin Orton as trustee.

George W. Soliday is to hold the remainder of the property in trust, the principal to be divided in equal shares among the six children. The will further provides that when Lyman Orton reaches the age of 40, Louis Orton the age of 35 and Julian Orton the age of 30, they are to be given the control of their estates if capable of handling the same in the proper way, and if not then George Soliday is to continue to act as trustee.

Obermeyer's book and drug store will be open all day today.

## MORE ELECTION FIGURES NOW AVAILABLE

Governor-Elect Lowden 13th Ahead of Hughes in Men's Vote.

Springfield Register—Governor-elect Frank O. Lowden led Charles E. Hughes among the man voters by 148,318 in the Nov. 7 election. The first practically complete figures dividing the vote of the men and women of the state were available yesterday. The Hughes states men's vote is 658,242 and the Lowden total is 706,560. Only men voted for governor. The man's and woman's vote for president in three counties was not separated—Peoria, St. Clair and Danville.

Governor-elect Lowden carried eighty of the 102 counties and Governor Dunne carried twenty-two. Lowden and Hughes carried thirteen out of the fifteen downstate congressional districts while Wilson and Dunne carried two—the Twentieth and Twenty third. Lowden carried Chicago by 286 votes. Hughes by 13,340 men and 7,686 women, or a total of 26,148 plurality in Cook county Lowden had a plurality of 26,802.

Governor Dunne in the democratic column tops President Wilson in the man vote by 22,235. The man's Dunne vote totaled 556,618 and that for President Wilson was 534,383. Mr. Hughes received 136,165 more woman votes in the state than did President Wilson. The Hughes total woman vote was 438,026 to 301,861 for the president. Hughes carried the state in the man and woman vote by a plurality of 203,347.

## DEFEAT CHICAGOANS

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The Bethlehem soccer team of Bethlehem, Pa., national champions, defeated a team of picked Chicago players here today, 2 to 1. Clark and McKelvey were the point winners for the easterners.

## JOHN RULE VERY SICK

Capt. Alex Smith has received a letter from Rev. F. M. Rule at Tracy, Minnesota, where the gentleman is at the bedside of his son John who is dangerously ill with typhoid pneumonia. The invalid is proprietor of the Antlers Hotel of that city. Capt. Smith will await further news with anxiety.

## EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Estate of John P. Seymour, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Executor of the last Will and Testament of John P. Seymour, late of the County of Morgan and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Morgan County at the Court House in Jacksonville, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against the estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All parties indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 8th day of December, A. D. 1916.

Charles O. Seymour, Executor.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Minnie M. Rexroat, deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed administrator of the estate of Minnie M. Rexroat late of the County of Morgan and State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Morgan County at the Court House in Jacksonville at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 16th day of December A. D. 1916.

William B. Rexroat, Sr., Administrator.

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TO HONOR AUTHOR OF  
PATRIOTIC SONG

Next Month Will Mark 75th Anniversary of Death of Joseph Hopkinson—Wrote "Hail Columbia."

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 23.—Patriotic societies of Philadelphia have launched a movement for a suitable observance next month of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the death of Joseph Hopkinson author of the song "Hail, Columbia." Hopkinson was born in Philadelphia, in 1770, and was a life-long resident of this city.

Hopkinson wrote his famous song with a distinct patriotic purpose and under conditions that make it of particular interest to the present day. It was written in 1798, while war raged between France and Great Britain.

The American nation was only 19 years old. Much of the animosity of the revolution survived. The veterans of that memorable struggle hardly felt their wounds to have healed.

On the other hand, it was impossible for any patriotic American to forget the services that France had rendered to the cause of the colonists in the war with Great Britain. She had sent an army and a fleet to America, she had stood the ally and foremost friend of America among the nations of the earth.

It was natural, therefore, that there should be a strong tide of American sympathy with France. But the new nation was compelled to consider the first law of nature, that of self-preservation.

Her foremost statesmen appreciated the peril of entering upon a course that might make the United States a participant in the wars of European nations, in which this country had absolutely no interest.

"Hail, Columbia," was written by a man wise enough to endeavor "to get up an American spirit which should be independent of and above the interests, passions and policies of both belligerents." In other words, he voiced at that early day a sentiment that has been widely proclaimed by masses of Americans since the beginning of the present great struggle in Europe.

The effect of the song was as Hopkinson had anticipated. The Amer-

ican people realized that they had a nation of their own, which was by right the first consideration of their thoughts.

Joseph Hopkinson was only 28 years old when he wrote the famous national song. He was the son of Francis Hopkinson, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. In 1786, the year before the adoption of the Constitution he was graduated at the University of Pennsylvania. He studied law, and began practice in Philadelphia when he was 21 years old.

Two years later he won a case that brought him national reputation. It was the suit of Mr. Benjamin Rush against William, Collett for libel, which resulted in a verdict of \$5,000 for Hopkinson's client.

When Justice Samuel Chase of the Supreme Court of the United States was tried in the impeachment proceeding of the senate for having exceeded his authority in ordering the arrest of the alleged leaders of a riot some years before, Joseph Hopkinson who had defended these men before Chase, was chosen counsel by the justice. Chase was acquitted.

President John Quincy Adams appointed Hopkinson justice of the United States district court in Pennsylvania, an office which Hopkinson's grandfather had held under the British crown.

Hopkinson lived to the age of 72 years. He wrote many articles and addresses on legal, educational and ethical questions, but he will always be best remembered as the author of "Hail Columbia."

## WILLARD W. C. T. U. NOTES

## A TRANSFORMED CHRISTMAS

"A thousand homes in this broad land, Are filled with Christmas cheer to-day, Where last year brought no gift or toy

For wife at work or child at play.

'Tis written in that woman's face, Once marred and scarred by scalding tears, Where pitying eyes could seem to trace

The sorrows of a thousand years.

Where banished love's rekindled flame Leaps up and sets those cheeks aglow,

When manly lips come back to claim The kiss abandoned long ago.

And hark! the laugh of childhood rings Where late was heard a sob, a moan, Oh how the heart with rapture sings!

When childhood comes into its own.

In one short year! what magic spell Go read on yonder bar-room door The Christmas tale it has to tell: "This place is closed forever more."

"His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace—Thou shalt call his name Jesus; for he shall save his people from their sins."

—Bible. "May we never lose sight of the fact that God is at the forefront of every holy conflict, leading the hosts of right against the chiefs of wrong."—Lillian M. N. Stevens, the late National W. C. T. U. President.

The following plaintive wail is voiced by a recent Brewer's Journal: "The franchise will be extended to all the women in the country some day. There is little doubt about that. Within a few years most of our large and industrially developing states will grant the vote to the opposite sex and there will be the brewing industry be then it is still to be conceded in alliance with the distillers and whiskey-selling saloons?"

At a recent temperance meeting an invitation was extended to any "wet" speaker to give any good reasons for the existence of the saloon. Dr. C. accepted the challenge as follows: "The saloon performs the functions for which it was established. 1st, It supplies the best (?) liquor to the working man at the lowest possible prices. 2nd, It is supplying many men in many cities with shelter at little or no cost. 3rd, It supplies the only social contact which many men know. In answer to these seemingly good reasons, Rev. B. replied: "I grant the truth of your assertions. God knows the saloon supplies the workingman with drink, but is he a better husband a better father, or a better brother for it? God knows it gives his social contact, for the saloon is a seducer, it is ruining the strength of the nation, our young manhood and womanhood. As for the shelter it provides, we all know there are adjoining rooms to the saloon. Somebody's sister knows it. The pitiful, painted women of the street know it. Mothers of wayward daughters and sons know it. Countless souls have been forever lost in the rooms that adjoin the saloon." A scathing but truthful reply indeed.

"Alcohol is a rank poison. It is so accepted by the best writers on toxicology."

"His wisdom to beware, Far better shun the bait Than struggle in the snare."

## AN INCIPIENT FIRE

William Farrington finished a two story house for A. M. Masters on a farm owned by the latter a mile or two from Murrayville putting on the finishing touches at 3:30 p. m. Friday. There was an open fireplace in one of the rooms and in that the workmen had a fire and before morning the structure was on fire. Fortunately the blaze was discovered before great damage had been done. The fire started in some two inch flooring or joists under the hearth of the fireplace. The workmen say they were careful too, with the fire to keep it within the fireplace and claim there was not enough protection for the woodwork under the course of brick in front of the hearth. The brickmasons say there should have been more care to keep the fire off the hearth.

## PRESS COMMENT ON MRS. READ'S CONCERT WORK

"Helen Brown Read, soprano, won the admiration of her audience from her first number thru her exceptional ability as a vocalist and by her graceful manner, being compelled to respond to encores on each occasion of her singing."—Red Oak, Iowa, Nov. 2, 1916.

"Mrs. Read has an exceptionally well trained and pliable voice of wide range and rare sweetness and her solos were encored time after time last evening."—Atlantic, Iowa, Nov. 7.

"Madame Read was in splendid voice and her selections were given with ease and in a most attractive manner. Her high notes were as sweet and melodious as the lower and to those who know that she gave a program at the high school in this city in the afternoon, that there was not the slightest trace of fatigue was remarkable."—Helen Brown Read, soprano, an artist who thoroughly deserves the name of such, and who moreover is fully alive to the educational value of putting the most refined music before young people in an interesting and artistic way. A voice of real beauty and adequate musicianship, a refined and vivacious and sympathetic manner and the art of song, both from the musical and dramatic standpoint was before that school audience and they knew it and recognized the truth of it."—Moline Daily Dispatch, Nov. 16, 1916.

"It is safe to say that no better trained singer than Mrs. Read has appeared in this city for some time. Mrs. Read's careful training is apparent in the care and accuracy with which she places her tones in all registers. The she would unquestionably be classed as a high soprano her low tones show a surprising richness."—Daily Commercial, Three Rivers, Mich., Nov. 28, 1916.

"She sang the aria 'Dich Theuer Halle' from Tannhauser with authority and dramatic conviction. Her voice is sweet, sympathetic, full of temperament and of sufficient power to cover a wide range of interpretative thought. Buoyant and full of charm was the 'Hark, Hark the Lark' of Schubert and tender and true the 'Wiegenlied' of Brahms."—South Bend Tribune, South Bend, Ind., Nov. 29, 1916.

"Possessing a dramatic soprano voice of great power and considerable range, Mme. Read exhibited a splendid technique in 'Dich Theuer Halle' from Tannhauser. She has evidently acquired some of the art of that master vocal technician, Jean de Reszke, with whom she studied in Paris, as the two Strauss numbers were fully equal to the Wagner offering."

"Greater beauty of tone was produced, however, in the 'Crying of Water,' by Campbell-Tipton and in that delightful song by Brahms, 'Wiegenlied.'"

"It is seldom that a high soprano voice of such color is heard with so evenly developed a scale."—Daily Republican, Belvidere, Ill., No. 29, 1916.

"Mme. Read has a voice of unusual range and sympathetic appeal. Her program included numbers by Brahms, Strauss and Wagner, but it was in the selections with American words that she secured to raise the most ready response of her hearers. Her songs on the native tongue were without exception those that embodied the joy of the great outdoors suggesting the perfume of the flowers, the bird notes of the forest, and the laughter and the weeping of woodland cascades. The finesse of her sympathetic treatment was perhaps at its best in the sylvan realistic interpretation of Campbell-Tipton's 'The Crying of Waters.' There was color and depth in Mme. Read's voice. Clear and bell-like on the high notes, it had also the richness of the contralto artist in the sustained lower passages."—Daily News, Beloit, Wis., Dec. 6, 1916.

## BLUFFS

The remains of Mrs. Myrtle who died at the home of her son, Charles Myrtle, in the south part of town Wednesday morning, were taken to Bowen Thursday morning where the funeral will be held. Deceased was past 80 years of age and they were formerly residents of Pike county, having moved here a short time ago.

Nellie, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fowler was tenderly laid to rest in the Green cemetery Thursday morning. The little one came to gladden the hearts of the fond parents but its little life went out in three days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lankford moved their household goods to Jacksonville Wednesday where they will reside.

Mrs. Richard Boyd is seriously ill at the home of her son, C. J. Atwood. Mrs. Charles Atwood of Griggsville was called here Thursday.

Mrs. Marian Plowman left Thursday for Payson to visit her daughter, Mrs. Clara Kelsey. She was accompanied as far as Fall Creek by her daughter, Mrs. A. P. Strahan.

Mrs. Emma Koffman of Hannibal, Mo., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McMurray.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Alford of Beardstown will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hartnady.

A. E. Zoller who has been transacting business in the east for the Electric Wheel Co., of Quincy, will arrive Saturday for a short visit and to accompany his wife and baby to their home in Quincy.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton and Mrs. Margaret Pine will leave this week for Okmulgee, Okla., for a visit with their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Will Pine.

Ed Massey of Jacksonville was a visitor in town Tuesday.

## CHAPIN

Little Barbara Watkins is quite ill at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Onkin.

Mrs. Ruth Funk, who has been confined to her home for several weeks on account of an attack of malarial fever, is showing some improvement. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Miss Noda Coulson is a guest of Miss Irene Omer.

Mrs. James Guinane was a Jacksonville visitor Friday.

Walter Bobbitt was a Jacksonville visitor Friday.

## PROF. W. A. LIPPINCOTT HERE

Prof. W. A. Lippincott and family arrived in the city last night to spend Christmas with Mr. Lippincott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lippincott. Prof. Lippincott has been studying the past year at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Mr. Lippincott has all of his children and grandchildren at home this year.

## BYNUM CHARGED WITH ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO KILL

Romeo Bynum was arraigned before Justice Dyer Saturday on the charge of assault with intent to kill. The complaint was made by Oswald Jenkins whom Bynum cut Friday night. Bynum's bond was fixed at \$500 and was signed by the Rev. J. W. Muse.

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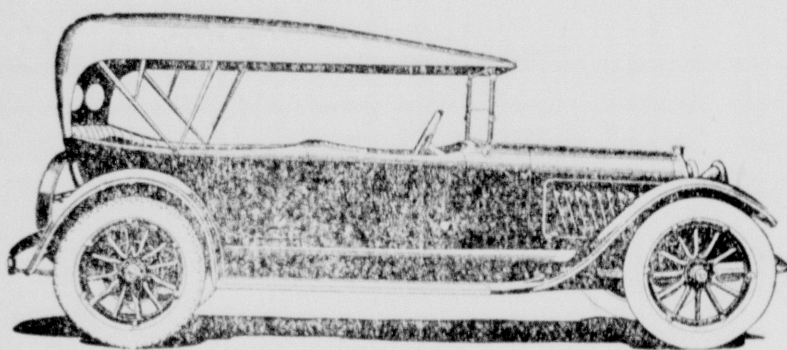
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## CHURCH SERVICES

Westminster church—The Sunday school will meet at 9:30. George C. Guthrie is the superintendent. Morning worship begins at 10:45. The pastor will speak on the subject "God's Gift to the World." At 4:00 p. m. the Christmas services will be rendered, including the pageant "White Gifts to the King." Admission to this service will be one potato for a man or boy, one apple for woman or girl. During the service a special consecration offering will be conducted by the pastor. The pledges given out by the committee are asked to be signed and returned at one of the morning services. Good music at all services. The public is most cordially invited.

Northminster Presbyterian church—Walter E. Spooner, minister. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. The morning subject: "Lessons About Christmas." The revival chorus assisted by the regular choir, with some special music, will give a song service at the evening hour. The song books that were used during the revival will be used for the song service. There will be a reception of new members at the morning service. The annual election of officers for church and Sunday school will be held next Wednesday evening. Christmas Eve at 6:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. The Christmas presents will be given to all Sunday school scholars after the evening service.

Central Christian church—M. L. Pontius, minister. Bible school at 9:30. C. L. Mathis, superintendent. Morning worship at 10:45. The subject at this service will be appropriate for Christmas. The theme of the sermon, "The Inevitable Christ." Evening service at 7:30. Subject of the sermon, "A Christmas World." Mrs. Wilson, Miss Susan Brown, Robert Boyd and Albert Strauss will sing at both services. Miss Helen Harney will read "The Shepherd's Story" interspersed by Christmas carols by the choir at the evening service. Intermediate Endeavor Society which will meet at 6:30 will be led by Eudora Milburn and Irene Lahman in short devotional exercise. Following this a Christmas program of recitation and song will be given. Senior Endeavor at 6:30 led by Miss Martha Priest. All cordially invited to all the services.

St. Emory Baptist church—Enos Larkin Struggs, minister. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. At the morning service the pastor will preach on "The Fullness of Time," a discourse on the birth of Christ. At 7:45 the two choirs assisted by local talent, will render a song service appropriate to the season of the year. Bible school at 2:30. Y. P. C. association at 6:30. Thursday evening this organization will give a musical and literary entertainment. To these services a cordial invitation is extended to the public.

State Street Presbyterian church. Rev. R. B. Wilson, Pastor. Sunday morning service at 10:45. Sermon will be on Christmas. Special music has been prepared for this service by Mrs. William Barr Brown. Evening service at 7:30. At this time will be given the Sunday school Christmas entertainment, "A White Gift to the King," in which all the children will take part. Special music for the entertainment. Sunday school at 9:35 in morning with classes for all ages. Come join our men's Bible class; we need you. Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:30. Come. Those meetings are very interesting. All members and strangers should come out to all our church services.

Grace Methodist Episcopal church. F. B. Madden, minister. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Public worship 10:45 a. m. Christmas sermon and music. No evening service. The Epworth league will sing Christmas carols at Passavant Hospital. A Christmas welcome for all who attend Grace church.

First Church of Christ, Scientist. Regular services are held in the Odd Fellows Temple, East State St., on Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject, "Christ Jesus." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Testimonial meeting on Wednesday at 7:45 p. m. The reading room is open each week day from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

Congregational Church. Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Brotherhood Bible class at 9:30 a. m. Christmas service at 10:45 a. m. Believing that Christmas Eve belongs to the home, evening service at the church will be omitted.

Centenary M. E. church. E. L. Fletcher, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. A. C. Metcalf, superintendent. The annual Christmas services of the Sunday school will be held at the morning hour. Public worship 10:45 a. m. A Christmas sermon by the pastor. Junior Epworth league, 3 p. m. Subject, "The First Christmas Circle and Ours." Louise Fletcher, leader. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve sermon by the pastor. A most cordial welcome to all.

Second Baptist church. H. H. DeWitt, pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock. Rev. Bolden and Rev. Saling will assist in these services. Evening service, 7:45 o'clock. Preaching subject, "The Nativity of the King." Text, "Unto us a child is born." Isa. 9:6. Bible school, 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Laura LaFayette, Mrs. Albert Moore and Miss Jessie Allen in charge of the different departments of the Sunday school. Monday night the Sunday school will commemorate the birth of the King with Xmas Tree, gifts of love and songs of joy. You are cordially invited to worship with us.

First Baptist church. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Christmas sermon, 10:30 a. m. Theme, "The Child Called Wonderful." Evening sermon,

7:30. Theme, "Found Wanting." B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. Topic, "Helping to Accomplish the Purpose of Christ's Coming." Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Services at Baptist Chapel: Sunday, 2:30 p. m. and Friday, 7:30 p. m.

Salem Evangelical Lutheran church. East College street. Bro. J. G. Kuppler, pastor. Fourth Sunday in Advent. Sunday school at 9 o'clock a. m. Public worship in German at 10:30 a. m. Student Wm. Rehrs of Springfield will preach the sermon. The choir will sing, "Weihnachts Hallelujah." Mrs. Robert L. Stice will sing, "Weihnachts Herold." In the evening, beginning at 7 o'clock a Christmas service for children will be held with special program and Christmas tree. On Christmas day (Monday) there will be German festival services at 10 o'clock a. m. and English services at 7:30 p. m. Everybody most cordially welcome.

Trinity Episcopal church. Fourth Sunday in Advent. Holy communion, 7:30. Sunday school, 9:30. Morning prayer and sermon 10:45. Christmas Day: Holy communion, 6 o'clock. Holy Communion at 8:00 o'clock. Christmas sermon and holy communion, 10 o'clock. The collections at the three services will be for the orphanage. J. F. Langton, rector.

Brooklyn. Corner of S. East and Bissell streets. W. W. Theobald, pastor. There will be services both morning and evening. A Christmas sermon at 10:45 a. m. and Christmas music. As one of the attractions, Mrs. J. Bart Johnson will sing the subject at 7:30 p. m. will be the subject "Christmas Chorus," and there will be Christmas music. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. The Christmas program for the Sunday school will be Monday at 7:30 p. m. Epworth league at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all services.

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Miss Pauline Cox, a pupil of Miss Rena M. Lazelle, at Illinois Woman's College, sang, "In Old Judea" at Epworth League at the Centenary church Sunday evening.

A trio, "From Every Stormy Wind," was sung by Misses Helen Dubois, Helen Horner and Grace Davis.

Miss Grace Davis sang "On Bethlehem's Plain" by Spencer at Grace church Sunday evening.

The concert by the Madrigal Club on Sunday afternoon, was a great success. The seating capacity of the hall was exhausted and a number stood during the performance. The program was entirely beautiful. Great credit is due Miss Lazelle for her work in training the club to its present high degree of proficiency. The precision of attack and release, the beautiful tone color maintained throughout and the fine gradation of dynamics, bespeak careful and conscientious training. In the evening the Madrigal club sang at Grace church before an audience which entirely filled the main body of the church and overflowed to the balcony. Upon this occasion Miss Millicent Rowe of the School of Expression gave a number of readings.

The childrens recital on Tuesday afternoon was a very meritorious program. Preceding the program proper a short sketch of MacDowell's life was given to the children by Miss Mary McGhee following which Mr. Stearns played the "Shadow Dance" by MacDowell. These numbers were occasioned by the fact that Monday was the anniversary of the composer's birth.

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Miss Elizabeth Sweeney and Miss Ethel Sweeney of Chicago arrived in the city last night to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Sweeney of South East street. They were accompanied by Miss Mollie Dougherty and her brother, George Dougherty, who will be the guests at the Sweeney home. Miss Elizabeth is with the Chicago Tribune and Miss Ethel is with Lyon and Healey.

Harry Starkweather of Lake Matanzas is spending Sunday with Silas Hught of West Lafayette avenue.

## PLANS MADE TO CARE FOR FEEBLE MINDED

Farm Colonies May be Established at the Lincoln School—New Institution Near Chicago is Hoped for in 1920.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 22.—Individuals and organizations in Illinois interested in better care and treatment for the feeble minded have agreed on a program of legislation to be submitted to the coming legislative session and it is believed the movement will have united support. At a meeting in Chicago, held recently, and called by the State Charities Commission, the question was discussed by the representatives of seventy-five organizations and many ideas were presented. It was agreed that the commitment law enacted by the last general assembly should be given two years of further trial as it was reported to be working well.

Chicago desires to have a second school for the feeble-minded near that city. It was agreed that this school should be established later but as the approaching general assembly sessions would have to provide another million dollars to complete the Alton State Hospital and the Dixon Colony for Epileptics it was considered hopeless to ask that another institution be started now. It was pointed out that the Dixon Colony will take from the Lincoln about four hundred epileptics and that he new buildings will soon add 200 beds. The suggestion was adopted that the state complete the Lincoln institution by erection of new buildings of modern type and by creation of several farm colonies that the institution's capacity be increased to 3,000, including both sexes and all types of feeble minded and that the school be brought up to the highest standard of excellence known in this country. This will require appropriation of a large sum for new buildings.

The conference did not agree on the course to pursue with regard to the delinquent feeble-minded boy. Some wanted colonies organized at the Pontiac reformatory; others thought this class should be cared for at Lincoln, in especially designed and equipped colonies which would hold them, to prevent escape and furnish occupation. Others wanted a special institution provided for them. It was reported that better success was attending efforts to retain them and train them at Lincoln and for a time at least they will continue to be committed to that institution. Buildings are to be asked for the delinquent feeble-minded adult woman and for the child under six years old; also one or two more open colonies for tubercular and anaemic classes.

## SONG SERVICE AT NORTHMINSTER

Sunday evening a special song service will be given at Northminster Presbyterian church by the chorus choir of seventy five voices which served so acceptably during the revival series recently held. The regular choir will assist in the program, rendering number of special musical selections. Everyone is cordially invited to this service. Gifts will be presented to the Sunday school children at the close of the program.

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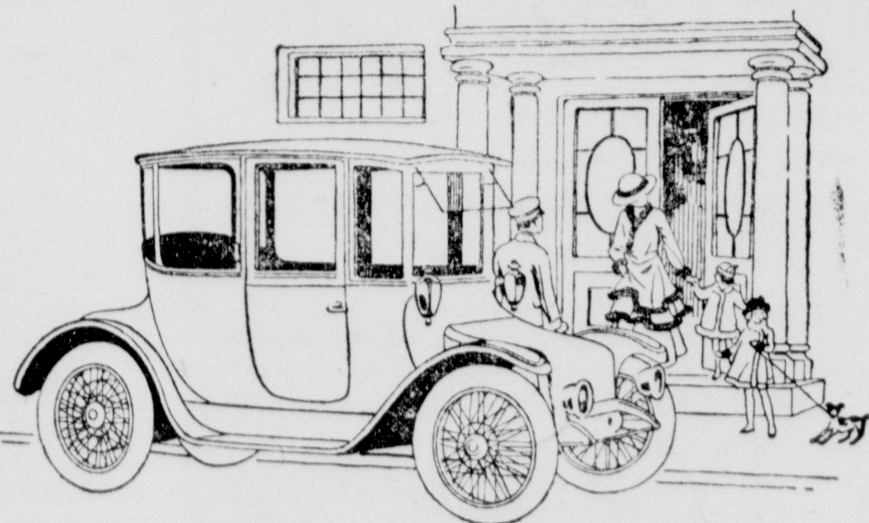
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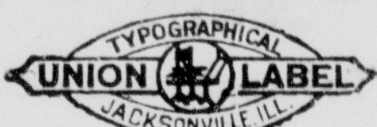
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## The Valley of the Amazon

(By Mrs. Carlton W. Taylor)

At a meeting of Sorosis held not long since Mrs. Carlton W. Taylor presented an essay in verse giving a description of "The Valley of the Amazon," a theme which had been assigned to her.

In looking up the subject Mrs. Taylor found that the valley of the Amazon is a vast wilderness. Although she wrote, in verse in somewhat humorous vein the lines give a great deal of information about a land wholly unknown to the average reader. Members of Sorosis were so much pleased with the "poem" that news of its excellence soon became known to others and it was their wish that still others should read and hear it. In this manner Mrs. Taylor's reluctant consent was given to print the verses which were hastily written and intended only for Sorosis presentation. One long day last summer When the mercury couldn't stop And every time you looked It was nearer to the top,

You all recall the time When o'er the brazen sky That heathen god went forth Who was called "Bernad High."

While we sat in darkened house Wondering what to do When Fahrenheit was standing At a hundred one or two.

There came a recollection That caused a sudden chill "Cause 'twas 'bout a country That was hotter still.

'Twas something to be written— (The thought 'most made you ill) About the Amazon 'Way down in old Brazil.

Memory traveled backward A score of years—no, two, We saw again the map Of pink and green and blue.

Uruguay was yellow, And Argentine was pink— Such awful names to say, And how we had to think!

The cities and the rivers We couldn't remember half, Bolivia had a lake That sounded like a laugh.

Chili had a mountain— Almost broke your jaw And still we hesitate At Aconcagua.

Christmas came in summer And everything was queer— Thus did South America To my young mind appear.

And now we ask your pardon, Though we don't apologize For telling a rhyming story Or for telling any lies.

And if the lines won't scan, If the feet be a little lame, Won't you please remember That the weather was to blame.

The South American Is proud of where he lives; This immense continent Of superb superlatives.

The richness of its plains, The highness of its peaks, The treasures in its mines, Its oldness in antiques!

The beauty of its cities The hum of business Which foreign countries seek With infinite finesse.

There is found the world's best— Or if not, then its worst, Its longest, its biggest, Its oldest, its first.

The Amazon valley Is a forest so vast That nothing has touched it In the present or past.

The tourist is at loss To tell the things he sees

Bewildered he murmurs Just trees and trees and trees.

Six hundred miles wide And three thousand miles long A wonderful subject For poetry and song.

To see this great river We would best take a boat, And starting from the Andes Down the wondrous waters float.

It follows the Equator Three thousand miles or more And drains adjoining land In square miles a hundred thousand score.

(There were so many miles That it made too many feet. A poetic license Of which please do not speak.)

The fall is so very little— An inch to the mile they say— Or two hundred and fifty feet For three thousand miles of way.

Seventy-two and ninety-four Are the extremes of heat. The waters are somewhat turbid Making a yellow sheet.

But the many tributaries A different color show, Dyed by the vegetable matter O'er which they slowly flow.

"Little boats must keep near shore" Is not a safe quotation. The banks to the water make A continual donation.

And this mighty river Is truly said to be All of four miles wide One thousand miles from sea.

Four hundred miles up-stream The tide doth ebb and flow, And here again it is not safe For little boats to go.

A wall of angry water Rolls up the river path Submerging what it may, The full tide wave of wrath.

This valley long ago Was an arm of the sea, This was truly proven By the geology.

Crabs and shells are found, Relics of inland seas, Fauna, character marine And also porpoises.

The tributaries names Will neither scan nor rhyme. You'll find them on the map, Just look when you have time.

If we'd travel up them, Covering every mile, We would be old ladies, 'Twould take us such a while.

Just think of Roosevelt, Who went up—or down— The doubtful river, Doubt, Thus gaining renown.

'Twas a great adventure For him and Kermit too. Of this unknown region He gives a vivid view.

There is a tributary Which flows toward the south, Which has a tributary Which hasn't any mouth.

Or, rather, it has two, Or else a double source. It is hard to decide Which way it runs its course.

It flows to Orinoco At one time of the year, Then to Rio Negro, Which is a little queer.

But by searching further We can find the reason. These valleys do not have The same rainy season.

This Cassiquiare A unique place doth fill. For some time in the year Its waters run up hill.

We cannot leave our boat And wander far in shore. The forests are so large, The swamps we can't explore.

The luxuriant vegetation Is very, very dense, But to bring it to a market Would be a great expense.

Two hundred sorts of trees Do grow in one mile square, Besides the trailing vines, The ferns and air-plants rare.

Rose-wood and mahogany, Striving to reach the light, Make timber of much value And grow to a great height.

Deep in the forest's depth Down some winding creek, The rubber trees are growing, For which the natives seek.

Near them grow the nut trees, In height two hundred feet— I wish that we might gather A bushel or two to eat.

Growing on trunks and branches The orchid parasite Blooms in exquisite beauty And perfumes the air at night.

These many, many species Of trees, ferns, and plants Are preying on each other, Each seeking for a chance.

They live and grow and die, Making rich the soil For a future generation To exploit with toil.

A "survival of the fittest" Is the lesson taught, And we look with wonder At what Nature thus hath wrought.

The animals of the forest Live mostly in the trees, 'Tis difficult to see them Concealed in the leaves.

'Possum, puma, tigers, Not very fierce and small, Birds, snakes, frogs and lizards, The tree-tops hold them all.

The monkeys and the apes, The toucan with monstrous bill, The boa-constrictor, too, Here live and fight and kill.

The family, "Edentate" Finds its ideal home, And for its proper food Does not have far to roam.

The ant-eater and sloth, The armadillo, too, Just of themselves would make A most interesting zoo.

Of insects there are many, They are mostly pests, They breed in shady places And live in webby nests.

Of these the small mosquito Perhaps is first in rank, 'Tis said that yellow fever Has never left the bank.

Of the fishes and the spiders, The butterflies and ants, Miss Moore, will tell you later, So we'll give them but a glance.

And is the forest silent? Does it ring with song of bird? The naturalist says not, But unpleasant sounds are heard.

The crash of falling trees, The wild-cat's horrid yell, The weird, harsh call of birds A fearsome story tell.

There is an ancient myth That makes the native fear, If he can't explain a sound, He thinks a god is near.

'Tis a horrid creature, Cupupira is its name, For unusual noises This spirit is to blame.

To annul its power The palm-leaf is a charm, This if rightly worn Protects from any harm.

Of human inhabitants There are but very few, Now and then a trading post, And of cities there are two.

All the rest are Indians, Average, one to a mile, They live in little huts, Of Filipino style.

Some are savage heathen, They live on fish and nuts, They shoot with bow and arrow And use a knife that cuts.

From a slender blow-pipe Is blown with practiced skill A small and poisoned dart, With sure intent to kill.

Some are mild and timid, They fall an easy prey To the rubber-gatherers Whose greed they can't gainsay.

Emboldened by remoteness From government of state, These wretches seize the Indians And cruelties perpetrate.

And this mighty river Received its classic name From the fabled warriors From whence, 'tis said, they came.

Pizarro found its source, He scarce knew what he'd done, Orellano descended it In fifteen-forty-one.

The valley's wealth is great, It cannot be denied, But how to get it out The future must decide.

A denser population, Some well-trained engineers Will surely solve the problem In nearby coming years.

### RED CROSS STAMP SALE.

The records show that the sales of Red Cross stamps by public school children this year is far ahead of 1915. The totals break the 1915 record by \$75. Thus far total receipts from all sources for the sale of stamps are almost \$650. The reports from county schools are still coming in and it is uncertain which one will have the greatest number of sales to its credit. Alexander and Sulphur Springs are running a close race. The sales by school children of Jacksonville are as follows:

Jefferson	\$42.16
Lafayette	24.03
Franklin	16.00
Washington	35.36
Morton	6.00
Open Air	4.32
High School	33.81
David Prince	103.83
Total	\$266.11

### SOLICITORS APPRECIATED KINDNESS.

Two solicitors for Passavant hospital tag day made a visit to the Illinois Steel Bridge Company's plant and the C. P. & S. L. car shops Saturday. The ladies were much pleased with the treatment they received at both places. At the Bridge works they were taken thru by Clyde Singley while at the car shops they were escorted by Albert Strasser. At both places the employees evinced a keen interest in the hospital and all were liberal in their contributions. At the Bridge works an employee was operating a traveling crane and someone remarked that the ladies would be unable to reach him. However, it was not necessary as he came down and donated fifty cents to the cause.

Rev. and Mrs. Clyde L. Hay and children of Chicago are in the city to spend the holidays with Judge and Mrs. M. T. Layman, parents of Mrs. Hay. They will also visit Mr. Hay's mother and sister at their home in Mound Avenue.

J. Tabor Mathers is here from Michigan for the holiday vacation.

## The Grand Presents a Merry Christmas Greeting

To its patrons starting with Matinee at 2:30

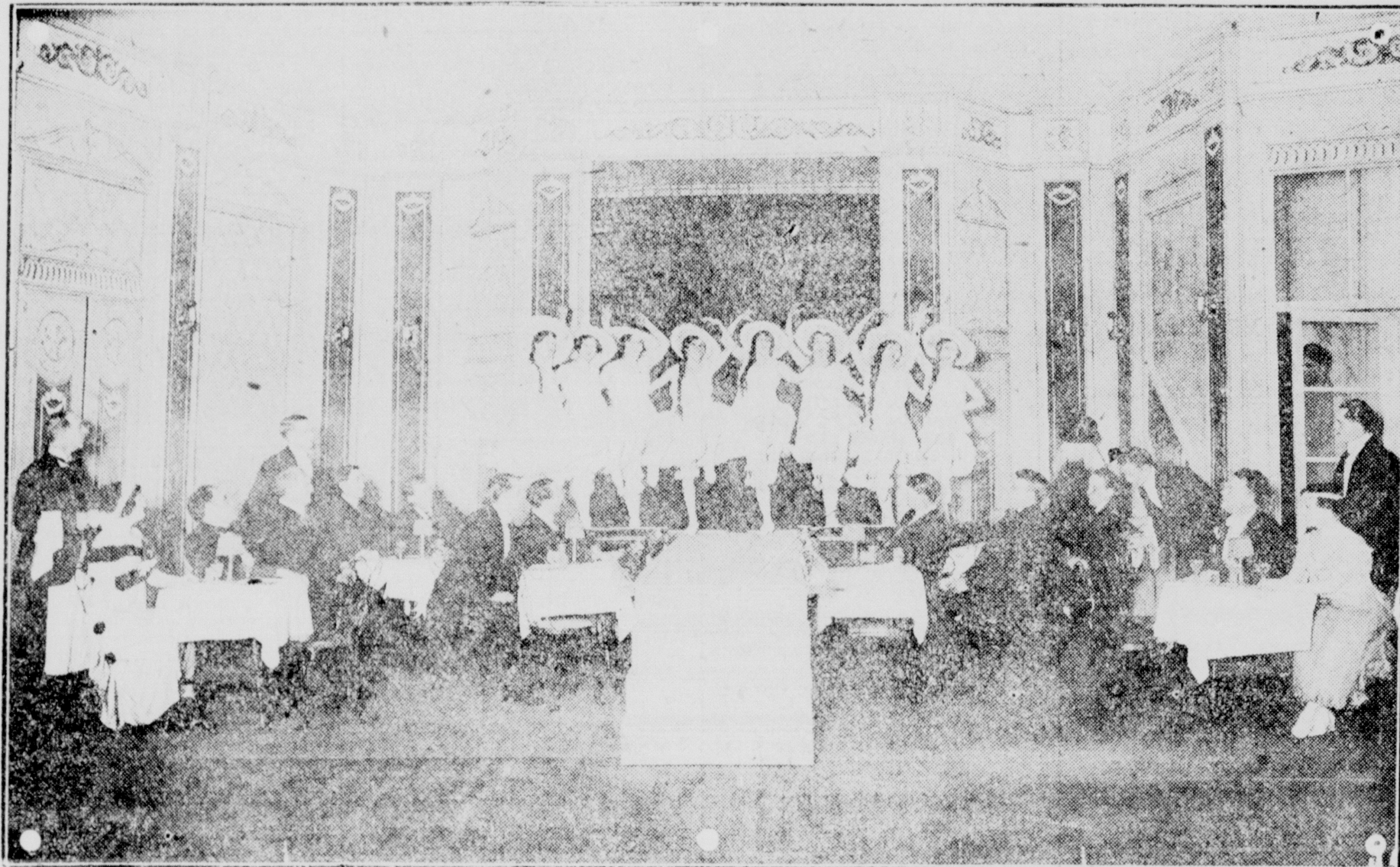
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Peoria, Ill.—"I heard of 'Favorite Prescription' through a lady friend. I was not sick but had the 'tired-out' feeling. The contents of one bottle made me stronger and better so that the work went off as it should. I am very glad to speak a good word for 'Favorite Prescription.'"—Mrs. R. D. JONES, 3200 North Adams St., Peoria, Ill.

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